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PREFACE.

To the Second PART.



Efore the Reader takes the Trouble to enter on the Second Part, it's fit he be apprifed of a few Things, that may prevent his mistaking my Meaning, in the

more difficult Propolitions, or may enable him to run thro' the whole with more Pleafure.

I. The first Chapter is intended only, as an Introduction to the two subsequent, to the third especially; and for clearing up and demonstrating in the most familiar and easy Way, the Nature and Properties of relative Infinites. The Foundations of the Arithmetick of Infinites, and the Structure built thereon, published by me in the former Edition of this Work, having been doubted of, or mistaken by some. The whole now, I hope,

is clear and unquestionable. I have borrowed a few Things from the third Chapter, for the Ease of those, who either might not have Humour and Leisure, or might not have apply'd themselves sufficiently to such Studies, as to be able to go quite through that Chapter. And yet might be content to see this

curious Speculation established here.

II. The fecond Chapter contains many Particulars of Weight and Moment. The Foundation is this. The Supreme Creator of all Things, and the whole System of Creatures. from the highest Seraphim down to brute Matter, are here together confidered as it were an infinite Cone, (like the Shadow of the dark Side of the Earth, circumscribed by the Light of the Sun in the empty Spaces of our System,) whose Base is the supreme and absolute Infinite, the Origin of the Being and Faculties of all created Things; and its Body, is the whole System of Creatures, from the highest spiritual Intelligence; defcending in a perpetual Subordination, and continual Scale, down to brute Matter; or if there be any Creature lower than this. It is true, in this Metaphor or Resemblance, the Base, is to be supposed at an absolutely infinite Distance, from the Body of the Cone, (as the Sun, whose Rays define the dark Cone of the Earth's Shadow, is distant from the Earth.) But then, as all the Sections in

in a Cone, parallel to the Base, are similar to the Base, and to each other. So in this perpetual Scale of Creatures, confidered in one View, together with their Creator, every Species and Set of Creatures is similar to the Base, and to every other Species and Set of Creatures, from the highest to the lowest, i. e. every Species and Set of Creatures of a higher Order, has the great Lineaments. and prominent Out-lines of their Bafe, the Origin of all Being and Perfections, more strongly, clearly, and largely represented and express'd on, and by them, and every Species and Set of Creatures of a lower Order, has the same Lineaments and Characters represented and express'd on, and by them, but in a more weak, more faint, and more contracted Manner. And fince Life. Activity, and Fecundity, are among the most universal, primitive, and original Qualities of the Base, the Source, and Origin of all Being and Perfections: So every Species of Creatures and each Individual of every Species, must in a higher or lower Degree, according to their Rank in the Scale of Existence, partake of those primitive and original Qualities. If this Principle, and Foundation, thus shadow'd out, may be allow'd me, and fure methinks it is evident from the Nature of Things à Priori, from all Experiments and Observations hitherto made

made on our material System of Things, à Posteriori, and even from the most genuine and simple Reslections of our Minds within our selves. Then it will follow,

I. That there is a perpetual Analogy, (physical not mathematical) running on in a Chain, thro' the whole System of Creatures,

up to their Creator.

II. That the Visible are Images of the Invisible, the Sensible of the Insensible, the Etypical of the Archivipital, the Creatures of the Greator, at an absolutely insinite Distance.

III. That the Arguments from the Attributes of the Creator, to the Qualities of the Creature, with due regard to the absolutely infinite Distance, is just and conclusive, & vice verså.

IV. That, as there are Objects intirely opposite and disparata, so there must be Faculties in intelligent Creatures, suited to those different Objects, differing according to the Diversity of the Objects.

V. That if Gravitation be the Principle of Activity in Bodies; that of Re-union with their Origin, must by this analogical Necessity be the Principle of Action in

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VI. That material Substances are the same with spiritual Substances, of the higher Orders, at an infinite Distance, or that materi-

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an infinite Distance from the latter.

VII. That there is some Analogy between the Constitution, Temperaments and Complexions of Piritual Beings, and the known different Textures, Elements, and Faculties of material Substances will your

THESE I think, as they are necessary Confequences from the preceeding Principle, fo they are the main Pillars, and some of the principal Propositions of this fecond Chapter which if hinderstood and granted every Thing selfe will either be eafily receiv'd, or may be fafely rejected, without

any Hazard to the main System.

AFTER all feeing my whole Intention and Defign, in advancing and publishing these Speculations, was to beget in the Minds of Men, noble, generous, and magnificent Sentiments, of God and his Works, that, thereby they might be more powerfully engaged, no love, ladore, and ferve Him. To convince them of the Degeneracy and Corruption of the whole Race of Mankind : of the Necessity of expanding and cultivating their fuperior Faculties, by a faithful Obedience to the divine Attraction and Drawings in their Hearts; and thereby, of begetting in their Souls, Charity,

ty, or the pure Love of God, and of all his Images in a proper Subordination: All which can by no other Means be brought about, but by a careful copying after, and imitating the Model and Pattern the BLESSED IE-SUS has fet us in his Life and Doctrine. fay, fince this was my whole End and Aim, in advancing and publishing these Speculations. If any Person shall think fit to contravert them, he may do it very fafely for me. For being fatisfied, in the Honesty and Simplicity of my Intentions, and of the Use and Benefit these Speculations have been to my felf for these Ends and Purposes. I am firmly resolved, not to spend my Time in idle Disputes. If others differ with me, about the Truth and Reality of these Speculations, or their usefulness to, and influence on the Ends proposed, or are not dispos'd to relish or receive them, they may let them alone or reject them, it is equal to me. All I shall be ever prevail'd on to do, in fuch a Case (excepting always, in Case those who either are my lawful Superiors, or whom I look on my felf obliged in Conscience to obey, shall command otherwise,) shall be; to amend, alter, or retract what I shall be perswaded is amiss in the future Editions of this Work, if it shall have any more. III. The

III. The third Chapter is what the reverend and ingenious Mr. John Craig fent me about feven Years ago, when I defired him (being low in my Health, and otherwise engaged) to write me down his Thoughts on, correct or alter, what I had formerly published on this Head in the first Edition of this Work, in order to a second Edition. I have altered or added nothing, but one Note before his Additions, and that in Italick Characters.

To conclude, if any Person, by either of the Parts of this Work, shall be moved to adore, worship, or love the lovely and adorable Author of his Being, (who is wonderful in all his Works, and great in the least,) I say, if any one shall be wrought on thereby to love him more, or serve him better, I shall have the whole Reward of my Labour, having intended it solely for his Glory and the Good of my sellow Creatures; and having I hope, in the whole, and each single Part, as far as my Weakness and Corruption wou'd permit, disengaged my self from all sinister Ends, from all Fraud, Malice, Vain-glory, and Hypocriss.



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till we obtain *Principles* to found our confequent Reasonings on; and then draw such Corollaries, from the several Parts, or from the whole, as arising necessarily from them, may be of use to ascertain some Speculations advanced in the foregoing *Treatise*; or may otherwise help to conduct the Understanding in those other *Sciences*, where they may find a Place.

Definition I.

QUANTITY is what may be increas'd

or diminished.

Tho' this Definition may not exhaust the metaphysical Nature of Quantity; yet it points out that Quality in it, that is here chiefly regarded; for ev'ry Quantity may be increas'd or diminished, and that continually, as shall be afterwards shown

Definition II.

A BODY is an extended, impenetrable, passive, divisible, unintelligent Substance.

This Definition also, tho' it exhaust not the internal Essence and intimate Nature of Matter, yet it sums up its sensible and most constant Qualities, by which it is distinguished from every thing else.

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Definition III.

THE inherent Principle of Activity, in the great Bodies of the Universe, is Gravitation or something analogous thereto.

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THO' I am perfectly convinced, from the Simplicity and Uniformity of the divine Nature, and of all his Works, that there is fome one great and universal Principle, running through the whole System of Creatures analogically, and congruous to their relative Natures; which is the fame in all Bodies great and small, and the Origin of all their natural Actions upon one another, with regard to their different Circumstances; and that there is not a different Principle for the natural Actions of the leffer Bodies from that which is the Principle of the natural Actions of the greater Bodies of the Universe, but one and the same Principie in both, acting differently in different Circumstances. Yet fince Gravitation, or fomething analogous thereto, feems necessary for accounting for the constant and regular Motions, and Actions upon one another, of the great Bodies of the Universe; Gravitation or something analogous thereto must be a necessary Consequence in the greater Bodies of the Universe, of this more universal Principle, and the Origin of the Activity of Bodies. Defi-

Definition IV.

A SPIRIT is an extended, penetrable, active, indivisible, intelligent Substance.

Body and Spirit are in ev'ry other Quality opposite, except in Extension; therefore as the foregoing Definition of Body summs up its sensible and most constant Qualities, so to assign the Definition of Spirit, there was nothing to be done, but to joyn the opposite Qualities of Body to that of Extension or extended Substance.

Definition V.

THE Principle of Action in spiritual Subsistences is, or ought to be, that essential one of REUNION with the Origin of their Being, impress'd on ev'ry Individual of this

Rank of Creatures.

THE universal Principle of Action, mentioned in the third Definition, that runs through all the System of Creatures, must analogically be carried through ev'ry Individual of spiritual Beings, and can be nothing but this essential Principle of REUNION with the Origin of their Being, as shall be afterwards demonstrated at large.

Definition VI.

A finite Quantity is that, of which the Bounds or Limits, beyond which it cannot reach, are affignable.

Thus a Line is finite, when both its Extremities are given, or the Points which are its Limits, beyond which it cannot reach, are assignable: An Area is finite, when its terminating Lines are assignable; a Solid is finite, when its terminating Planes are assignable; a Number is finite, when the Unities (which are its Limits) of which it consists, or the Bounds beyond which it cannot reach, are assignable.

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An infinite Quantity (in its simplest Nature and lowest Degree) is that, some one or more of the Limits or Bounds of which, beyond which it cannot reach, are not assignable.

Thus a right Line, one or both of whose Extremities are not assignable, or the Points beyond which it cannot reach, are not assignable, is an infinite right Line. An Area, one or more of whose terminating Lines are not assignable, is an infinite Area; a Solid, one or more of whose terminating Planes

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are not assignable, is an infinite Solid; a Number, increasing continually, whose last Increase is not assignable, or the Bounds, beyond which it cannot reach, are not assignable, will at last make an infinite Number.

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An infinite Number may be suppos'd to be generated by the perpetual Addition of a finite Number to it felf. Thus I + I + 1+1+1, &c. a+a+a+a+a &c. become infinite. Or, it may be supposed to be generated, by the perpetual Addition of finite Numbers, increasing in a regular Progression, and in one constant Proportion one to another. Thus 1 + 2 + 4 + 8 + 16, &c. (where the finite Terms perpetually increase in the ratio of 1 to 2.) and $1 + a + a^2 + a^3$ +a4 &c. (where the finite Terms perpetually increase in the ratio of I to a) become infinite. And it is the same in all other infinite Series, regularly generated; or lastly, the infinite Number may be supposed to be generated by the perpetual Addition of finite Numbers, in no certain Proportion one to another, nor in any regular Progression, such as 7+1+30+5+2+25 &c. Of these last Kinds of Infinites we have here no Consideration; for being of no constant or regular Nature, but merely casual and fortuitous, they

they can afford no Medium for reasoning. The principal Defign of this Chapter, fo far as it concerns these two Kinds of Infinites. is to find out a Method for resolving the fecond Kind of Infinites into the first, when it is possible; in order then to obtain a just Notion of these Infinites, let us first distinguish Infinite in general, into relative or creaturely Infinite, and Supreme or AB-SOLUTE Infinite (of which the first is but a created Image or Picture, as will be afterwards shewn) let o stand for Finite in general, and on stand for Infinite in general as they respect Numbers; then 1 and o I will be finite and infinite (as they refpect Numbers) of the lowest Degree and simplest Nature; Unity being the simplest Number.

Definition VIII.

Relative Infinite (in its simplest Nature and lowest Degree) is an infinite Quantity, as it stands related to a given Finite, by the perpetual Addition of which to it self it is generated.

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In the same Relation, that relative Infinite stands above a given Finite in ascending, in the same may another Quantity be supposed to stand below it in descending, in which Case, we shall have a relative infinitely great Quantity in ascending above the given Finite; and a relative infinitely little Quantity in descending below it. So that relative Infinite in general may be aptly distinguished, in respect of the given Finite, into relative infinitely great, and relative infinitely little. For brevity sake, we shall call the first relative Infinite, the second relative Nothing.

Definition IX.

Relative Nothing (in its simplest Nature and lowest Degree) is an infinitely little Quantity, as it stands related to a given Finite, by the perpetual Substraction of which from it self it is generated. Let of stand for relative Nothing.

Thus of is a relative infinitely little Quantity, as it stands related to Unity, by the per-

Definition X.

An indefinite Quantity (in its simplest Nature and lowest degree) is some mean Proportional, between Finite, and relative In-

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For, as in descending from 1 to 0, we do not immediately flip from finite to relative Nothing, but must necessarily pass through the intermediate Steps $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{3}$ &c. in Arithmetical Progressions; and in ascending from I to ∞ we must pass through the Steps between both 2, 3, 4, 5, &c. in the same Kind of Progressions. So in the Geometrical Progressions, in descending from 1 to 0, we must pass through these mean Proportionals 2/03/0 4/0 &c. and in the same Progressions, in ascending from i to ∞ , we must pass through the mean Proportionals 2/ 00 3/ 00 4/ 00, &c. and these we call Indefinites. Thus in Geometry, if we cou'd imagine a Circle, drawn upon the fumm of a finite right Line reprefenting 1, and an infinite right Line reprefenting fenting ∞ 1, as a Diameter. A Perpendicular erected on the Point where these two Lines meet, reaching the Circumserence, wou'd represent the indefinite right Line implied by $\sqrt[2]{\infty}$ 1. Let ∞ stand for such indefinite Quantities in general.

Scholium.

UNITY being the simplest finite Number, by confequence $\infty 1 = 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 & c$. must be the simplest infinitely great Number. And 01=1-1+1-1+1-1 &c. must be the simplest infinitely small Number. And by reason the greater the Number denominating the Root is, the less the Root itself will be, therefore [∞]√∞ I (= to any finite Number greater than Unity) will be the fimplest Indefinite. Put [∞]√∞ 1=y= ∞ therefore $\stackrel{\cdot}{\infty}L \infty = Ly$. but $L \infty = \infty$ (as will be feen by the last Chapter) therefore o x o =Ly. that is $\stackrel{\infty}{\approx} = i = Ly$. But I may be the Logarithm of any finite Number, greater than Unity, in the Scale of Proportionals 1°. a¹. a². a³. a⁴. &c. therefore $^{\infty}\sqrt{\infty}$ I may be any finite Number greater than Unity. The Indefinites of the first Degree, that is wherein the Number denominating the Root is an Integer, may be univerfally thus express'd

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+ I x m + I x 2 m + I + I x m + I x 2 m + I x m x 2 m x 3 m + M x 2 m x 3 m x 3m+1+8c. Now as ∞ 1=1+1+1+4m 1+1 &c. and 0 1=1-1+1-1+1-1, &c. and [∞]√∞ 1. are of the fimplest Nature, so also are they of the lowest Degree. fuperior Degrees being generated of ∞ 1, after the same Manner that on is of I, for if we add ∞ 1, perpetually to it felf, we shall have a relative infinitely great Quantity, of the simplest Nature in its Kind, but of a higher Degree, viz. ∞ 1 + ∞ 1 + ∞ 1 + ∞ 1 &c. =1+1+1+1+1+1 &c. +1 +1+1+1+1+166.+1+1+1+1+166. &c. = (Since a perpetual Addition of any Quantity to it self, is equal to a Multiplication by $\infty 1$) $\infty 1 \times 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 \in c$. $\infty 1 \times \infty 1 = \infty^2$. So $\infty a + \infty a + \infty a + \infty a & c$. a=∞² a. After the fame manner o 1=1-1+1-1+1-1&c. If fubstracted perpetually from it felf, it becomes 01-01+01-01&c. =1-1+1-1+1-1 &c. -1-1+1-1+ $1-1 &c. + 1-1+1-1 &c. -1-1 \\ 1+1-1+1-1 &c. + &c. = (fince a per$ petual Substraction of a Quantity from it selt is the fame with a Division by ∞) I - I

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+1-1+1-1 &c. $=0^2$. Thus we have a relative Nothing less than o, but of a fuperior Degree; for as relative infinitely great Numbers increase in their Value, by being raifed to superior Degrees, so relative infinitely little decrease, because the first perpetually ascend from Finite, the latter descend perpetually further from it. And thus all the Degrees, that finite Quantities admit of, may be form'd from relative Infinites and Nothings. And as we have Indefinites m√∞ between r and Infinite in ascending, and myo between rand o, in descending, so analogous to their Natures we have the fuperior Degrees myon and myon. Nature in all these Cases admitting of no Bounds nor Limits.

Definition XI.

Absolute or SUPREME Infinite, in a proper Sense, is one, Individual, admitting of neither Increase, nor Diminution, or of any Operation that mathematical Quantity is subjected to.

This will be better understood afterwards.

Definition XII.

Absolute Nothing in a proper Sense is neither capable of increasing nor diminishing, nor of any wise altering any Mathematical Quantity to which it is apply'd, but stands in full opposition to absolute Infinite.

Axioms.

I. That which is greater or less than any possible finite Quantity, how great or little soever, must be a relative Infinite, Indesinite, or Nothing, and which of all these Three, the given Quantity is, the State of the Case will always determine.

Besides, Infinite, Indefinite, and Nothing, relatively confidered, we have no Idea's of Quantity, and the Definitions of these already given, apply'd to the State of the Case under Consideration, will always determine which of these the Quantity assigned must be.

II. Number being the simplest Measure of Quantity, and a proper Unity being the Measure of all Number, a proper Unity is the Measure of all Quantity.

THAT Unity is the Measure of all Integers is evident: And in Fractions, the Denominator determines the proper Unity, whereof

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whereof the Numerator determines the Number. Wherefore in the following Propositions instead of Quantity, we shall frequently use its Measure Number, to express their Meaning and to demonstrate their Truth.

Propositions.

I. Quantity may be increas'd or diminish'd

in Infinitum.

CASE I. That Quantity may be encreas'd in Infinitum, is evident from hence, that fince it is certain, a finite Quantity may be added to a Finite, what may be once done, may be done again and again, and confequently may be done any Number of Times, greater than any finite Number how great foever, that is by Definition 4. and Axiom I. Quantity may be increas'd in Infinitum.

Case 2. that Quantity may be diminified in Infinitum is evident from hence, that out of the gi- A $\frac{m}{n}$ $\frac{m}{n}$ Part, and out of the Remainder, you may also take out any $\frac{m}{n}$ Part, for the same Reason that you can take it out of the first given Quantity AB, and so on continually, and vet

yet you shall never reach the Extremity B, since the $\frac{m}{n}$ Part is still less than the whole Remainder. That is, you may take out $\frac{m}{n}$ Parts in a certain Proportion out of the given Quantity AB perpetually, that is, the Quantity AB may be divided in *Infinitum*. q. e. d.

Another Demonstration of both Cases.

The Incommensurability of surd Quantities to rational ones, as they are call'd, is a full Demonstration, that Quantity may be increas'd or diminish'd in Infinitum.



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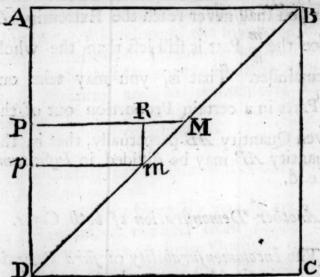
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Let ABCD be a Square, whose Diagonal is $\mathcal{D}B$, putting the Side $A\mathcal{D}=1$. AD to DB, as I to $\sqrt{1}$. Take in the Side AD, apart $\hat{P}p$ the least possible draw PM. p m. parallel to AB and Rm parallel to AD. Since the Triangles BAD and MRm are similar. Rm will still be to mM as I to VI. therefore it is impossible to find in AD a Part how small soever, that taken, any finite Number of Times, how great foever, shou'd be equal to mM. So that let AD be divided into Parts how small soever, and how many foever, yet still DB may be fur-That is per Def. 5. and 4. ther divided. and Axiom 1. DB may be divided in Infinitum, and AD increas'd in Infinitum. q. e. d. Corol-

Corollary I.

Hence it is evident, that to affign the absolutely greatest relative Infinite, or the absolutely least relative Nothing is a plain Contradiction, seeing both these are still mathematical Quantities (as is plain from Def. 1. 4. 5 and shall be afterwards surther demonstrated) and so by this Proposition, are capable of surther Increase or Diminution; and so the assign'd can neither be the greatest nor least, absolutely.

ed corollary II.

Hence, and from Def. 4. & 5, we may discover wherein the specifick Difference between Finites and relative Infinites or Nothings consists: To wit, in the limited Increase or Diminution of the former, and in the perpetuity of the Increase or Diminution in these latter stops, they become limited and assignable, and consequently Finite, and thereby, no Part of the desired Infinite.

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Corollary III.

HENCE it appears, that an Infinite of either Sort is (as to all arithmetical Operations on it, with due regard to the Perpetuity of its Increase, or Diminution) of the Nature of an unknown Quantity in Algebra. For as in this, from the State of the Problem, we perform arithmetical Operations on it, as it were known, and thereby we fometimes do, and fometimes do not determine its Value, but by Approximation: So on this, we may perform the like Operations as upon an unknown Quantity, with due regard to its particular Nature, and the State of the Problem, and thereby often discover the specifick Genius of its Progression, which is always regutar and harmonious, as will beafterwards leen.

Proposition II.

Unity divided by an infinite Number of Unities makes the Quotient relative Nothing

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Demonstrat. $\infty 1 = 1+1+1+1+1 & c.$ per Def. 4. $\delta \circ 1 = 1-1+1-1 & c.$ per Def. 5. divide 1, by 1+1+1+1+1 & c.and by the common Operations of Algebra, you shall have 1+1+1+1+1& c.) 1 (1-1+1-1+1 & c. = 0. q. e. d.

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Proposition III.

As Finite in general is to relative Infinite in general, so is relative Nothing to Unity. That is $\Theta: \infty \Theta: I \cap I$.

Demonstrat. By 1. Corollary Prop. 2. $\frac{1}{2}$ \approx 6. Multiply both by 6 then $\frac{6}{1} = \infty$ 6 that is $6 = \infty$ 60. therefore $6 \approx \infty$ 6 : 1. q. e. d.

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Proposition IV.

Relative Nothing is a real mathematical Quantity, and implies the least Part of the Finite, to which it is related or compared. Demonstrat. This is evident from the Generation of relative Nothing, affign'd in Def. 5. But to demonstrate the Proposition, without regard to this Definition, let AH infinitely produced from A, be divided into equal Parts AB, BC, CD, DE, Gr. So that an equal But this may be demonfreded other Part of A in Bod Cas Do dital of the H this Line may denote any Number. Supposing AB=1, let x denote any Number, for Example x =AB, y=Ab, then by the common Rules $\frac{1}{y-x} = \frac{1}{y} + \frac{x}{y^2} + \frac{x^3}{y^3} + \frac{x^3}{y^4}$ Now suppose a infinitely near to B, then $y-x=Bb=\dot{x} & \frac{1}{\dot{x}}=\frac{1}{y-x}but \quad x=\dot{x}+\dot{x}+$ * + * &c. by Def. 4. that is x=x x 1+1 + 1 + 1 &c. therefore - + + + + &c. But by Supposition AB=x=1 therefore -= 1+1+1+1+1 &c. = \infty 1. But by Corollary 1. Prop 2. $\frac{1}{2} = \infty$ therefore $\frac{1}{2} = \infty$ and and and consequently in a But is being a real mathematical Quantity, by Def. 1.0. also must be a real mathematical Quantity, and the least Part of Unity to which it stands related or compared q. e. d.

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Since ∞ ascends from the given Finite in the same Manner that o descends below it, and since o is a real mathematical Quantity, so also must the ∞ be. And as o is the least relatively below it in its own Order, so is ∞ the greatest relatively above it in its Order, but both below and above these, we may descend or ascend in a higher Order or Degree, without Bounds or Limits.

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When a Curve is faid to meet with its Asymptot, and when in the common Hyperbola we obtain the Area $\frac{1}{1-1}$ or in the Example proposed we put y=x, in these and such like Cases we mean only, that in the first Case the Ordinate is infinitely little, in the second, we mean the least Part of the Alecistic and in the third that we are

of the Absciss, and in the third that y and x must differ only, by an infinitely little Part of x, or by x only; and not that C 3

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they are absolutely equal, else there wou'd be no Division, and consequently no Quotient, as shall be afterwards shewn.

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From hence, and Def. 4. we may discover the true meaning of the Expression, when it is said a Quantity is greater than Infinite, or one Infinite is greater than another. In these and the like Expressions $\infty 1 = 1 + 1$

mon Standard or Measure, to which all others are compared. Proper Unity being by Axiom 2. the common Measure of all Quantity, and when a Quantity x is said to be greater than Infinite, the meaning is, that it may be an Infinite, greater than \$\infty\$ is said to be greater than \$\infty\$ is said to be greater than \$\infty\$ 1. and when \$\infty\$ 2 is said to be greater than \$\infty\$ 1, it is no more than to say \$2 < 1\$. In all these relative Infinites admitting of Comparison, there is still a particular Finite, to which each respectively are related, and it is on these Finites that the comparing the Infinites among themselves is sounded. Thus

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1+1 &c. the finite Parts of these two Infinites, viz. 2, and 1, are the Subjects of the Comparison. And when & 2 is said to be greater than & r, it means only that the Finite's Parts, of which they are generated, are as 2 to 1, or these in the first are double of those in the second. It is the same thing as in &2, compared with &1, or 2x with 1x, nothing is meant in either, but that 2 is greater than 1: 6, and x, and &, being as to this Case equally unknown Quantities, which may be thrown

out in the Comparison, and univerfally, in all relative Infinites ∞ n, =n+n+n+n $\mathfrak{C}c$. and in all relative Nothings o n, =n -n+n-n+n-n $\mathfrak{C}c$. ∞ $n=\frac{n}{o}$ is the Expression of the Ratio of the first Series, and o $n=\frac{n}{\infty}$ is the Expression of the Ratio of the series, and these two $\frac{n}{o}$ and $\frac{n}{\infty}$ are proper Subjects of the Comparison, where n may admit of all the Relations that Finites have among themselves.

Proposition V.

Relative Infinites, Indefinites, and Nothings (with the proper Limitations peculiar to each) admit of all the Degrees and arithmetical Operations, that finite or mathema-

tical Quantities are subjected to.

Demonstrat. This is evident from Def. 4, 5, and 6. and the Scholia adjoyning to these, and is also manifest from the precedent Prop. and its first Corollary, as to relative Infinites and Nothings; and shall be afterwards shewn, as to Indefinites; to wit, that all these are still mathematical Quantities, capable of Increase and Diminution in Infinitum, and consequently must admit of

all these arithmetical Operations (with proper Limitations peculiar to each) that finite Quantities are subjected to. And to confirm this, we may observe in Nature a Resemblance of these higher Degrees of relative Infinites, and confequently by Analogy of relative Nothings also. For if Space be infinite, as shall be afterwards demonstrated, it must be supposed equal to an infinite Cube or Sphere, whose Diameter will be as to 1, its Section through this Diameter as co2, and its Content as co3. q. e. d.

Proposition VI.

Relative Infinite has to the Finite, with which it is compared, no finite Proportion, or Finite, when compared with its proper relative Infinite, becomes relative Nothing.

Demonstrat. This is evident from 4 Corollary Prop. 4. the Ratio of the relative Infinites in general $\infty n = n + n + n + n$

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HENCE, relative Infinite in general is to Finite in general, as Unity is to relative Nothing: or any Finite, when compared with relative Infinite in general, becomes relative

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Demonstrat. By the precedent Proposition $\infty n : n :: 1 : 0 :: a : 0 a$, and by conversion of Ratio's $\infty n : a : : n : o a$. Supposing then a to be a finite Quantity, Nothing but an infinite Number of relative Nothing or o's being equal to 1, by Corollary 2. Prop. 2. o a must be still o, or a-a+a-a+a-a &c. = 0, by Corollary 3. Prop. 4. wherefore $\infty n: a:: n:0$, and by composition of Ratio's $\infty n + a : a :: n + o : o$, put n = c and a = 0 then $\infty + 0:0::1 + 0:0:$ and fince 1+0 is but 1, therefore $\infty + 0$ is but ∞; wherefore ∞: Θ:: ι:0, or when any Finite is compared (by Addition, (or by Subtraction by Division of Ratio's)) with relative Infinite in general, it becomes relative Nothing q. e. d. The true Analogy is this,

 ∞ n or n+n+n+ &c. a::n:a-a+a-a+a-a &c. but because a is supposed Finite, a o is the same (in Cases of Addition and Subtraction) with a. But were $a=\infty$ 1, then a-a+a-a+a-a &c. wou'd be $\infty-\infty+\infty-\infty+\infty-\infty$ &c. $=\infty\times 1-1+1-1+1-1$ &c. $=\infty\times a=1$, and $\infty n-\infty n+\infty n-\infty$ &c. $=\infty$ n=n.

Corollary II.

Put n equal to any Integer, then co n-1: n :: 1 : 0, but on : 08-1 :: 0 : 1, for the first being reduced, becomes on: 1 :: 1: a. and the fecond being reduced, becomes o: 1:: 0:1; and therefore when ∞^{n-1} is to be added to, or subtracted from cen, it becomes o; and when on is to be added to, or fubtracted from on-1 it becomes also o, by Scholium Def. 6. and the Case is the same when the inferior Powers suppose 02-2, or 002-3 &c. are to be added to, or subtracted from con, or when on is to be added to, or fubtracted from the inferior Powers on--2 or on -3 &c. in all fuch Cases it is evident from the precedent Prop. and its 1. Corollary, that ∞^{n-2} ∞^{n-3} and on become o.

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From these Propositions and Corollaries, an Arithmetick of Infinites may be drawn out, different from any hitherto published, of no contemptible Use, or narrow Extent in Algebra, and Geometry; as will be in some Measure shewn by the third Chapter.

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Those who are ever so little acquainted with the specious Arithmetick, will easily understand the Reason and Truth of these Operations.

Proposition VII.

Indefinite Quantities are not properly either Finite or Infinite, but between both.

Demonstrat. An indefinite Quantity is some mean Proportional, between finite and relative

lative Infinite, per Def. 6. that is, one of those Infinites will be a = 100 0 put o =r, and then $\sqrt{\infty}$, will be an indefinite Number, now this & ocan neither be Finite (and this Manner of Reasoning will hold good of any other Indefinite whatfoever) nor Indefinite; not Finite, else o would be Infinite, which is impossible; nor Infinite, for for the least possible Infinite must be Infinite in general, divided by the greatest possible Finite x, and then if so be infinite, $\infty = \frac{\infty}{2}$ and $N^2 = \frac{\infty}{2} = \infty$. which is also abfurd. Again if wo be infinite, then is $\infty \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{\infty}} (= \sqrt{\infty}) = \text{infinite}, \text{ and } \frac{1}{\sqrt{\infty}} =$ to its relative infinitely final Part, or its relative Nothing = 0, and fo \(\infty \times = \infty X √∞ =(√∞ =) to infinite. But by Corollary 2. Prop. 2. $\infty \times 0 = 1$, and instead of ∞ xo, putting its value 1. in this last Equation, it will be $\infty \times 0 = 1 = \infty \times$ I _ Infinite, by Supposition; and this fupposed Infinite would become 1, which is absurd. q. e. d.

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Terms, where the Series terminates, and so their Sum $\sqrt[2]{\infty}$ becomes thereby less than ∞ 1. as will be more fully explain'd in the following Chapter, and in $\sqrt[3]{\infty}$ (for example) $= 1 + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{6}{4} + \frac{6$

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N. B. That in expressing an Indefinite by q it is always supposed that the Number q is less than p, for if q be either greater or

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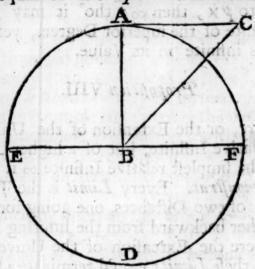
Proposition VIII.

Space, or the Extension of the Universe, is a relative Infinite, but of a higher Degree than the simplest relative Infinite ∞ 1.

Demonstrat. Every Limit is the Termination of two Distances, one going forward, the other backward from the limiting Point, and were the Extension of the Universe limited, these Limits wou'd terminate a Space, beyond these Limits, as well as within them. That is, either the universal Space must be unlimited, and confequently infinite, or there must be Space beyond the Limits of univerfal Space, which is abfurd. Again, if the Extension of the Universe were limited any way, so as to become finite, then a Sphere of a finite Diameter might be found equal to it. For the Cube of a finite Side may be found equal to any finite Content whatfor-PART II. ver,

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ver, as is well known, and the Radius of a Sphere equal to this Cube is the Product of the Side of the Cube, multiplied into the cube Root of ? Parts of the Ratio of the Radius to the Circumference. Let us suppose the whole finite Extension of the Universe equal to the Sphere whose Radius is



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AB. Let this Sphere be cut by a Plane through its Center, and the Section be the Circle ADFE, it is certain from the Elements of Euclid, that to any given Point A, a Tangent AC may be drawn, of which only the Point A falls upon the Circle; the rest of the Line AC falling without it. From whence it is evident, that there must be Extension without this Circle, or the Sphere

Sphere by the Section of which it is generated. Since a Plane passing through this Tangent, and perpendicular to the Plane of this Circle, will only touch the Sphere in a Point : by which there will be an extended Distance remaining between the Circumference of the Sphere, and the touching Plane. in all their Points excepting that one at A: And fince this is true of every affignable Extension how great soever, less than Infinite. It is evident the Extension of the Universe s greater than any affignable Extension, how reat foever, that is, by Axiom 1. it is relatively Infinite, which is still more evident from Def. 4. Since its Parts are finite and heir Sum only infinite, and feeing this Infinite is of three Dimensions, or as co I in Height, Breath, and Depth, therefore it nust in its Content be as of, that is, of a uperior Degree to o 1. q. e. d.

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CHAP. II.

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· Lemma I.

THERE is in all the Works of Nature a Symmetry and Harmony, running on in a perpetual Analogy (with proper Limitations arising from the different Circumstances of the several Parts) through the whole and the Parts; or there is a regular Connexion, and uniform Proportion between similar Causes and Essects, a Congruity between the End and the Means. An Aptitude between the Faculty and its Acts, and between the Organs and their intended Uses in the whole, and in the several Parts of this System of Things.

Demonstrat. This is evident from innumerable Instances already discover'd and ascertain'd. And every new Discovery in the most minute Part in the Works of Nature carries along with it a fresh Demonstration of this Proposition; one must be intirely ignorant of Philosophy, and Mathematicks, to want a Cloud of Witnesses to this Truth. For Instance, the sesquialter Proportion, of

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the periodical Times of the Revolutions of the primary Planets about the Sun; and of the secundary Planets about the primary Ones; to their middle Distances from the Sun and primary Planets respectively, obtains univerfally. Their Magnitudes, Gravities, Densities, and their Velocities in their Orbits, in respect to, and about the Sun and the primary Planets, in the Planets, Comets, and Satellits, are in a regular and comely Proportion; the same Gravity, the same Law thereof, and the similar Effects of both, obtains through the whole material System of Things. The Reflexions, Inflexions, and Refractions of Light, are the fame in all the planetary and cometary Bodies and Regions; as they are on our terreftrial Globe, with due Regard to the different Densities of the Mediums. The Circulation of the Fluids, the Manner and Organs of Respiration and Generation, are analogically the same in Man, Brutes, and Vegetables; with proper Limitations arising from the differing Circumstances of these Gradations of Animals. The general Laws of Fluids, Elasticity and Gravity, obtain in animal and inanimate Tubes, but so far as they are alter'd in the first by collateral Causes. The whole of Philosophy and Mathematicks is nothing but particular Instances of this beautiful Analogy, and the preceeding Chap-

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ters of the first Part contain nothing but particular Instances thereof. And if we defeend into the Spiritual World, we shall find this beautiful Analogy preserv'd, as far as the different Circumstances of these Beings will permit. And if in this Demonstration, it were allow'd to take in the Supposition of a Being infinitely perfect, who contrived and executed the whole, and the feveral Parts of this System of Things; it is impossible it shou'd be otherwise: A Being infinitely Wife, Simple, and One, must necessarily bring about similar Ends by similar Means, and perform all his Works the plainest, most simple and shortest Way possible; due Regard being had to the whole, and the different Circumstances of the several Parts. Wisdom in Things, is their Symmetry, Regularity, and Aptitude for obtaining their delign'd Ends and Purpoles. The Wisdom of a Machin confifts in the due proportioning of the feveral Parts to one another, and to the whole, for obtaining its proposed End. Difproportion, Irregularity, Discord, and the having no View or Design, are the furest Proofs, and Indications of Chance, Impotence and Folly: A wife Man performs all his Works in Number, Weight and Measure, and fure Infinite Wisdom, Simplicity, and Unity, must accomplish all its Works, with the most consummate Harmony, Proportion, and

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and Regularity. And this in the following Parts of this Treatife, for Brevities fake we shall call the ANALOGY OF THINGS.

Lemma II.

This ANALOGY OF THINGS duly inflituted, is as certain a Demonstration of the Existence and Wisdom of the Author of these Things, and of the Contriver of this Analogy, as also of the true Nature and Qualities of these Things discovered by this Analogy, as any mathematical Demonstration

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Demonstrat. No Effect can be, without its proper Cause; a wise and regular Effect mult be produced by a wife and intelligent Cause, and an infinitely wife, and infinitely complicated Effect, must necessarily imply an infinitely wife and Omniscient Cause. These are so certain and infallible Axioms, that I know not if in all the Compais of human Knowledge, any others come up to the same Degree of Evidence: And he can be no proper Subject of Philosophy or Mathematicks, who cou'd ferioully deny them, fince the whole Evidence of both these Sciences suppose the first of the Axioms, and the rest are but like multiplying both Sides of the same Equation by the same Terms. I have already observed, that the Wisdom of an

an Effect, or System of Effects, consists in the Proportion or Analogy of the several Parts to the whole and to each other, and of the whole, to the End propos'd; and that Irregularity and no Proportion is the furest Evidence of Want of Contrivance, Wisdom and Defign. Now fince the ANALOGY OF THINGS, just now demonstrated to be found in all the Works of Nature, in the whole, in every the most minute Part: And in these Instances of this Analogy, without Number, and without End. (Every new Step in the Knowledge of Nature discovering fresh Instances of this Analogy) all these, I say, do necessarily infer an Infinity of infinitely wise Effects; and therefore these Effects must as necessary infer the Existence of the Author of their Effects, and the Wildom of the Contriver of this Analogy, as an Effect infers its Cause; that is, as certainly as any mathematical Demonstration infers its Proposition; since its Certainty depends on the Connexion between Causes and Effects, and the Truth of this Analogy in general. I fay in the next Place, that the true Nature and Qualities of these Effects or Things, discovered by this Analogy, duly instituted, may be as certainly concluded from this Analogy, as any mathematical Demonstration concludes its Proposition. Mathematicks and Philo-Tophy,

Copby, so far as they are just and genuine, are but Branches of this Analogy. Mathematicks are but this Analogy apply'd to Figures and Numbers. Philosophy, properly to call'd, is but this Analogy apply'd to Bodies, or Systems of these; or to the abstracted Natures of Things. Both suppose the Truth and Necessity of this Analogy, without which they are but Jargon and Romance. An Instance or two will make the whole Matter clear. Suppose it were required to find the refracted Ray, when the refractive Powers of the two Mediums. with the Inclination of the incident Ray, on the incident Plane, are given. Let us borrow a Corollary from this Analogy of Things, to wit, that the Distance between any fix'd Point in the Incident, and another in the refracted Ray, (the refractive Powers of the two Mediums being regarded,) is the shortest possible; and with this Corollary make an exact Computation; we shall then find the refracted Ray precisely the fame with that found out, from other different Principles and Methods (suppose of Trigonometry) where this Corollary has had no Place, as the Geometers have shown. This physical Demonstration of this particular Property of Light, (to wit, that in all Incidences, the Sine of the Angle of Incidence, is to that of Refraction, in a constant

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a Word, every particular Problem in Algebra and Geometry might be brought as Instances of this beautiful Analogy of Things; and those who are conversant in the more abstructed Speculations of abstract Geometry, can furnish themselves with Instances so surprising and extraordinary, of the Constancy

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of Nature in this beautiful Harmony, and comely Proportion, even in the largest Computations and most complex Constructions. as far furpais these Instances I have brought. Now what but an infinitely wife Being cou'd have constituted the intellectual Species of Things fo admirably? That all the Terms of these Progressions shou'd thus go on in fuch regular and harmonious Proportions, that every fucceeding Term shou'd be made up of the preceeding ones, modify'd after one constant Way, that by the Cast of an Eye, the faid fucceeding Term shou'd be affign'd? Whereas they might have been ordered, other infinitely different Ways, fo as to have afforded no regular Progression. And does not this Analogy and harmonious Progression of these Series's as certainly give the fucceeding Terms, as the actual Opera-tions of Algebra do? Many more, and yet infinitely more furprizing Instances of this beautiful Analogy, and of the Inferences drawn from those assign'd, might be given, But these may suffice for an Illustration of this Lemma.

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Lemma III.

THE Rules which feem naturally to arife, for the due Institution of this Analogy of Things, may be reduced to these three, 1.

That the Quality, Property, or Idea, on which the Analogy is instituted, be as simple an one, as possibly may be; and intirely the fame, both in the known and unknown Subjects of the Analogy. Thus when we reason from the Nature and Properties of Light and Gravity on our Earth, to the Nature of Light and Gravity in the Planets and Comets. We must separate these into their most simple Ideas and Properties and (to avoid Confusion) as much as may be, and institute an Analogy for each, to discover if the Analogy hold good in the Complex, and precifely keep to the fame Properties in the Planets and Comets the unknown Subject of the Analogy, as were supposed in the Earth, the known Subject of the Ana. Else we shall run into Consusion and Paralogism. 2. The necessary Limitations arising from the different Circumstances of the two Subjects of the Analogy, as far as they may be known, must be cautiously and carefully taken into the State of the Question. Thus in the first Instance, assign'd in the fecond Lemma, if the different refractive Powers of the two Mediums had not been precifely entered into the Equation, the Conclusion must have prov'd different from that found out by other Methods. Thus also in reasoning from the Manner of Generation in Animals to that of Vegetables. If the Limitations

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mitations arising from the different Circumstances and Orders of Being, in these two Subjects of the Analogy, be not carefully taken into the Reasoning, the Conclusions must prove false and erroneous. 3. Both the Subjects of the Analogy must be known and examined into, as far as may be, in regard to the other Qualities different from those, the Analogy is instituted upon: But especially the known Subject of the Analogy must be as fully known as is possible, in regard to those Properties on which the Analogy is instituted. Thus the more fully we understand the Nature and Qualities of our Globe, especially as to Light and Gravity, and of the Comets and Planets as to their other Qualities, the more full and perfect shall our Conclusions be in regard to these assign'd Qualities, in the Planets and Comets: The more fully we understand the Circulation of the Fluids in Animals, the more aptly shall we apply them to Vegetables. These Rules duly observed will render the Conclusions drawn by Virtue of this Analogy of Things, as certain as any mathematical Demonstration whatfoever.

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Proposition IX.

THE visible, intellectual, and created Species of Things, are Pictures, Images, and Representations of the invisible, architypal, and

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of the fupreme Being.

Demonstrat. This is evident from Lemma 1 and 2. For fince it is certain, that there are to be found in all the Works of Nature a beautiful Harmony, a comely Proportion, and an exact Symmetry running thro' the whole. And fince this Analogy of Things, necessarily infers the Existence of the Author of these Things, and the Wisdom of the Contriver of this Analogy. These Things and this Analogy cou'd come from nothing else but from their original Ideas and architypal Paterns, in the divine Mind or Imagination, and their Harmony and Proportion can possibly arise from nothing but their being Representations of his Ideas, who is Omniscient, and does every Thing in Number, Weight and Measure. There being no other possible Way they cou'd be contrived; and he being Supreme and One, cou'd find nothing without himself that they should represent. Besides, it is absolutely impossible, that infinite Power and Perfection shou'd bring any Thing into Being, that had not his own Signature, Stamp, or Image on it, for there cou'd be nothing besides himself, whose Images they shou'd be; and it is abfurd to imagine they shou'd represent nothing at all. Therefore of necessity they must be Pictures, Images, and Representations

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Corollary I.

Hence it is evident that the visible, intellectual, and created Species of Things, are Images, Pictures, and Representations of the divine Attributes, more or less perfect, according to their Order in the Rank of Beings. For fince they are Images of the architypal Ideas in the divine Mind, or Imagination, and fince there was nothing without him, to beget these Ideas, and nothing but his own infinite Perfections, that cou'd represent themselves to him, in order to make these Ideas arise in the Mind. Therefore of necessity, they must represent his Attributes or Perfections, the only Thing he cou'd have to copy out.

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Hence it is evident, that with proper Limitations arising from the infinitely-infinite Distance; (so to speak) between Finite and absolutely Infinite we may reason analogically from the Nature and Attribute of the supreme intelligent Being, to the Nature and Properties of sinite intelligent Beings; and from these to those; to wir, by supposing

fing these last Images, Pictures, and Reprefentations at an infinite Distance of the first.

Proposition X.

A mathematical Point, and infinite Space are the two Limits of natural or created Things, as to Quantity or Extension, in Ascending or descending from Finite. neither of them is any Part or Multiple of

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Demonstrat. This is evident from Prop. 8. for natural or material Things can have no more Dimensions than three, and therefore the biggest Extreme in created Things, can rise no further by the Analogy of Things than to o raised to the third Dimension. And fince infinite Space is as ∞^3 , therefore infinite Space is the biggest Extreme, or Limit of natural Things alcending from Finite. And fince a mathematical Point is the Surface (so to speak) of the Extremity of a mathematical Line, which has but one Dimenfion, it must of Necessity be the least Extreme in descending from Finite: In a Word, we can rife no higher in natural and material Things than infinite Space, fince that is the Locus Universalis of all created Beings. And we can descend no lower than a mathematical Point, fince every Thing below it (if possible) cou'd have no Place at all, or wou'd wou'd be no where, that is, wou'd be absolute Nothing. And neither of them can be any Part or Multiple of the other, since no Number of Points, no not even an infinite Number can make any real natural Quantity, not so much as a mathematical Line, therefore &c. q. e. d.

Corollary I.

Hence a mathematical Point and univerfal Space are true and genuine Opposites in Nature, and in the Analogy of Things, and between these two lie all created finite Subsistences. No natural Thing can be bigger than infinite Space, and no natural Thing can be less than a mathematical Point, they differ the most widely that natural Things possibly can, and have nothing common but Entity, and so are true and genuine Opposites.

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Corollary II.

Hence in the Analogy of Things, Matter cannot be infinite, in any Sense of Infinite ascending from Finite. For since Matter is of those natural Things, that necessarily require all the three Dimensions, were it infinite, by the Analogy of Things, it wou'd necessarily be as ∞^3 , that is, it wou'd be equal to infinite Space; but since the Necessity of a Vacuum has been demonstrated in the first Chapter of the sirst Part, it cannot be PART II.

equal to infinite Space, and fince it cannot be infinite any wife but as infinite Space. by the Analogy of Things. Therefore Mat. ter cannot be infinite, in any Sense of Infinite ascending from Finite.

Proposition II.

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ted as often as the Multiplicator and Divifor implies: Therefore absolute Nothing is fusceptible of none of those arithmetical Applications that real Quantities are fubjected to. q. e. d.

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Absolute Nothing therefore, when apply'd to real Quantities by Multiplication and Division (and confequently, when by Addition and Substraction) implies, that there is neither Product nor Quotient, that is, that the real Quantity is neither multiplied nor divided, but remains unaltered:

Proposition XII.

In the Analogy of Things; as a mathenatical Point is to universal Space, so is absolute Nothing to the absolute and supreme Infinite.

Demonstrat. By Prop. 10. a mathematial Point, and universal Space, are the two Limits of material or natural Things; they nvolve fimple, clear and diffinct Ideas, and re as well known, as any of the Objects of And human Knowledge. Absolute Nothing is one of the Limits of the universitas rerum minim, to wit, that in descending, below ters which nothing can fall; and therefore by E 2 the

the Rules laid down, for the Analogy of Things, the absolute or supreme Infinite must be the other Limit, beyond which nothing can rise in ascending, and between these two, all Subsistences, Finite, Indefinite, and relative Infinite are concluded. Wherefore by Lemma 3. and Prop. 9. as a mathematical Point, &c. q. e. d.

Corollary I.

Hence absolute Infinite can neither be encreas'd nor diminish'd. For absolute Infinite and absolute Nothing being the Limits of all Things whatsoever, absolute Infinite must be the greatest of all Things, and so can neither be encreas'd nor diminished, else it cou'd neither be the greatest, nor the ascending Limit.

Corollary II.

Hence absolute Infinite is One, and Individual. Because being neither capable of Encrease nor Diminution, and being the ascending Limit, it must be one: And individual, because there can be no other like it, it being the one ascending Limit.

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Corollary III.

HENCE absolute Infinitude is only compatible to the divine Nature, and to nothing else. He being the greatest of all Beings, one, and individual, or the single possible Being of the fame Nature.

Corollary IV.

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Universal Space is the Image and Reprefentation in Nature, of the divine Infinitude, for fince by Prop. 9. the created Species of Things are Images of the increated, and by Prop. 10. universal Space is the greatest Limit of the visible Creation, or material System of Things. Therefore universal Space is the natural Image of the greatest Limit of all Things, or of the universitas rerum omnium. That is, by Prop. 12. and the preceeding Corollary, universal Space is the natural Image of the divine Infinitude.

Corollary V.

HENCE universal Space may be very aptly called the Senforum Divinitatis, fince it is the Place wherein all natural Things, or the whole System of material and compounded Beings, are presented to the divine Omniscience.

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ence. Infinite Space is the Image of the divine Infinitude, wherein as in a Picture of him (in whom all Things live, and move, and have their being) all created Things prefent and manifest themselves to the intuitive View of the supreme Infinite, and therefore in the Analogy of Things, infinite Space is to the supreme Infinite; what a human Sensorium may be supposed to be to Men.

Corollary VI.

An absolute infinite Creature is a Contradiction, because absolute Infinite is one and individual, by Corollary 2. of this.

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greatest Infinite. In natural Things Finite. and relative Infinite never rife higher than the third Power. The Comets and Planets move in Orbits, that are Curves of the fecond Power. Projectiles move in parabolick Lines, which are of the same Order. The Curvature of the Surface of all the celestial Bodies are of the conical-fection-kind. The Surfaces of Fluids, rifing in great or small Channels, are of the same Rank. Nature admits but of three Dimensions, and I know of no natural Effect that rifes higher than the third Power. Even the irrational Curves that Nature forms, in conducting folid Bodies, and the Rays of Light (thro different refracting Mediums) the shortest and easiest Way: And in some other of her Operations, fuch as the Cycloid, Conchoid, Catenaria, Velaria, Curva Elaficitatis, Logarithmica, the Spiral and the like, all of them are of the lowest Rank of their Order: And their Natures imply only Portions of Curves, or of their Areas, of the conicalsection-kind, the lowest Order of all Curves whatfoever. So true it is that Nature perpetually brings about her Purposes the Shortest and simplest Way, and keeps constant to this beautiful Analogy of Things. But fince Quantity may be still increased, on may be supposed to rise to higher Powers than ∞3 in the intellectual Species of Things, fuch as are, ∞^4 . ∞^5 . ∞^{∞} . ∞^{∞} . Now tho' these Powers of ∞ superior to ∞^3 , can have no Place in natural Things, or the material System, yet are they the intellectual Species of created Things, and are in their respective Orders, Images, and Representations of their architypal Ideas, in the divine Mind, and Instances of the unexhauftible Store of manifold Wisdom in the divine Nature. And as infinite Extension is the Image in Nature of absolute Infinite, so ∞ ∞ och is the Image of the fame absolute Infinite, in the intellectual Species of Things And by the Analogy of Things, relative Nothing, and relative Infinite are the intellectual Images of absolute Nothing, and absolute Infinite, so univerfally does this Analogy hold good.

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Proposition XIII.

Absolute Infinite, in the Analogy of Things, is the precise and proper Opposite

to absolute Nothing.

Demonstrat. This is plain from Prop. 12. and its first Corollary. For since a mathematical Point is the precise and proper Opposite to universal Space, and since in the Analogy of Things, a mathematical Point is to infinite Space, as absolute Nothing is to absolute Infinite: Therefore absolute Infinite

nite is the precise and proper Opposite to absolute Nothing. Besides, absolute Nothing and absolute Infinite, being the Limits of the Universitas rerum omnium, in ascending or descending from created finite Beings. They must be precise and proper Opposites, having nothing common but their being Entia and Limits. q. e. d.

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SINCE absolute Nothing, in its positive Idea, implies the utmost impossibility of, and the most extreme Contradiction to Reality or real Being, as it most certainly does, for it is not possible to conceive a greater Contradiction to, or Impossibility of Reality or real Being, than is imply'd in the positive Idea of absolute Nothing or Non-entity, beyond which there is no further descending from Reality or Being. having no real Entity, tho' it may be class'd, as to its negative Conception, in the Category of Entia rationis,) Therefore by the Analogy of Things, absolute Infinite must imply in its positive Idea, and that necessarily, the utmost Possibility, and the most extreme Necessity of Reality or real Being

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Corollary II.

Wherefore since absolute Nothing, in its positive Idea, implies the utmost Contradiction to real Being, since absolute Infinite is the precise Opposite to absolute Nothing, since also being Opposite in every Thing (except as Entia and Limits, which do not effect the Realities in absolute Infinitude, as to its positive Idea) absolute Infinitude must imply in its positive Idea the utmost Necessity of Reality, or real Being; therefore of Necessity the absolute Infinite must really Be, or the Being to which absolute Infinitude is only compatible, must necessarily exist.

Proposition XIV.

Finitude and Infinitude, when apply'd to natural and created Things, in their politive Ideas, imply not Realities, but the Modes of Realities.

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Demonstrat. Finitude, when apply'd to natural or created Things, imports only in it's positive Idea the Proportions of the iseveral Degrees of Affections, or Properties of these Things to one another. Infinitude, the unboundedness of these Degrees of Affections, or Properties. Finitude and Infinitude,

tude, in themselves, abstracted from a proper Subject or Substantive, are incomplete Ideas in natural or created Things. Insinite Extension, Number, Duration, Wisdom, Knowledge, &c. are complete Ideas, whereof these Realities are the Subjects or Substantives, and the Insinitude, the Epithet or Adjective: Wherefore Finitude and Insinitude in natural or created Things, being but Adjuncts to Realities, in their positive Ideas, do not imply Realities, but the Modes of Realities. q. e. d.

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Corollary I.

HENCE the Modes of natural or created Things are Realities, in the supreme or obsolute Infinite, or the Modes of natural or created Things, when analogically elevaed to the supreme, and absolute Infinite, are n him not Modes, but the utmost Realiies. This is plain from the preceding Proosition, and the 2d Corollary of the 12. Infinitude is but a Mode in natural or creaed Things, but in the supreme or absolute Infinite, it implies in its positive Idea the stmost Reality, to wit, necessary Existence; nd the fame must of Necessity be true, n all those Attributes of the divine Naure, which analogically deriv'd down to he Creatures, are in them but Modes, in

him they are the utmost Realities; because they are all complicated and affected with, or (so to speak) multiplied into absolute In. finitude, which realises those Modes of Creatures, and transubstantiates them into positive and real Qualities. So true is the me. taphysical Axiom, quicquid in Deo, ipse Deus est. I do not here contend that there may not be accessory Ideas in the divine Intellect, or that there may not arbitrarily arise in the divine Intellect Images of Be ings, whose Existence is Fact, is not necessa-Since the Idea of a Creature cannot be necessary to him, or else they would no cessarily be. But even those accessory or arbitrary Ideas, in the divine Imagination, by being there, become of a quite different Nature from the like in Creatures, for by being there, they (by Virtue of his absolute Inf. nitude) receive a Being infinitely superior to the like Ideas in created Beings, not neceffarily, but with infinite Freedom and Liberty. And those Affections and Properties in Creatures, which in them are but Modes, when analogically carried up, to the like of fimilar Affections or Attributes in the divine Nature, are in him the utmost Realities, as being complicated with absolute Infinitude, and thereby transform'd or exalted into real Quantities or actual Subliftences,

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HENCE Power, Subsistence, Duration, Knowledge, Wildom, Goodness, Beauty, &c. which in created intelligent Beings are the Images of Omnipotence, necessary Existence, Eternity, Omniscience, the divine Sophia, Benignity, infinite Perfection, &c. in the divine Nature: And are but Modes of Being, and not effential Affections in thefe, are in him infinite Realities, and living active Principles. And he that wou'd reason analogically, from the Nature of these in created intelligent Beings, to the Nature of those in the divine Essence, without having the utmost Regard to the absolute Infinitude, which in a Manner quite changes the Nature of the former, and exalts them into a different Category, wou'd be miserably mistaken. For Instance, he that, because the Duration of natural Things is successive, wou'd conclude so of the divine Eternity:

des, He that wou'd reason because human Power cannot give Being and Substance to that

wine which had none, the divine Omnipotence as cou'd not: He that wou'd infer, that bereal Beings is progressive, the divine Omniscience were also progressive, must be egrejoully mistaken: Because in this Analogy he he does not take in the absolute Infinitude which elevates and exalts the Duration, Power and Knowledge of created Things, into a Degree of Reality of which these are but the Images or Pictures. He that from the Picture of a Man wou'd analogically reason about human Nature, from the blending and Position of some Colours on Canvass, wou'd reason to Life, and Knowledge: Or from the reslected Image of the Sun in Water, wou'd conclude of Light, and Heat, cou'd not err more grossy.

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In intelligent compounded Beings: The Powers belonging to the Body are not only finite, but very low in the Order of Finites. The Eye perceives not diffinctly a very large nor small Object. Too strong a Noise stuns the Ear, and one too weak does not act upon the Organ: Neither of them produces a diffinct Hearing; and it is fo in all the other Senses. Those Organs are so contriv'd, as to perceive best the ordinary Effects of common Life, the Objects that Neceffity of Subfiftence do most readily prefent to us. These they are fitted for, and little else; they have a wonderful Facility in manifesting these distinctly to our Minds, and have a just Proportion to the Objects about

about us, but feem not contriv'd nor defign'd for Curiofity, or conveying much more Knowledge to us, than what the Conveniencies of Life require: Else infinite Wifdom and Power might have eafily formed them fo, as not to need those Helps and Affiftances, which we are obliged to employ when we aim at any more particular Knowledge of the intimate Natures of the Things about us, than Conveniency makes necessary or commodious. The Faculties belonging to the rational Soul are likewise finite, but of a higher Rank of Finites than those Powers belonging to the Body. The Imagination can paint a larger Idea, than the Eyes can fee, and the Memory lodge a greater Store of Images, than all the Senses can prefent at one Time: And the Understanding can combine and disjoin these, and compare them many different Ways: But still these Faculties are but finite in their Capacity. We can form no distinct Ideas of Millions of Millions, of a multiangular Figure, or any relative Infinite, small or great: The Imagination feems not able to contain thefe; there is no room on it, for fo large Pictures. The Memory is the Repository of the Images that have been framed on Phantafy, and can go no further than it reaches; nay feldom or never contains more than a small Part of those. The Understanding can work

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no further than these two afford Materials: its Works being to collate, combine, and garble, as it were, these Images and Ideas the Imagination and Memory present to it. All these are limited, as the Senses are, tho' not quite so straightly, because the Underflanding may variously combine those I. deas they have convey'd to the Imagination and Memory, and so increase their Number: And the Will having no subject Matter to proceed upon, but as it is prepared by these prior Faculties, can go no further than those allow it. The Understanding may diversify these as far as their Com. binations will reach, and the Will may pick and choose among these, but since it cannot create Objects for it felf to work on, it must be limited to the Images and Ideas on the Imagination and in the Memory. The Will I mean, as it is the Faculty belonging to the rational Soul. All these Faculties feem to have been originally design'd for Nothing but this material World, and the System of Things about us. They help us to no Notion or Conception of any Sort of Beings distinct from Matter, but in so far as Analogy will bear us out, and even as to the material World, they feem fitted for little else, besides the grosser, more general and more necessary Knowledge of Things that are required for due Conveniency, Subfiftence,

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fiftence, and fhew but fome of the groffer Out-lines of the real Natures of Things. Every Thing that might violently entertain our Curiofity, or flatter our Vanity, as to the Knowledge of the Nature of Things, feems to have been industriously conceal'd from us, and no Faculties to have been indulged us for these Purposes, least they shou'd have withdrawn us too strongly from Things of greater Moment to the End of our Being: Else infinite Wisdom and Power had contriv'd them after a more perfect Manner. with a larger Capacity, and a stronger Enery. As to the Faculties of the supreme Spirit, (which is a third Part of intelligent compounded Beings) they most certainly are infinite in their Capacity and Energy, I mean they may be enlarged and increased without Bounds or Limits, which by Def. is to be relatively infinite. Not only the Acts of these Faculties may be multiplied perpetually, but the Capacity and Energy of hefe may be dilated and intended without The Perception, the Bounds or Limits. Desires, the Will, (the Faculties belonging o the supreme Spirit) are unlimited and oundless, fitted and design'd for infinite Objects. These indeed are the first, princial, and original Faculties, belonging to all compounded intelligent Beings: By which hey are made capable of communicating PART II.

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with the supreme Infinite. And next in order of Nature to the supreme Spirit, is the rational Soul, whereby they are enabled to communicate with the material World: And to the Faculties of this fecondary Part of the Composition, the Senses of the Body are the Conduits, and Conveyances, which make up the third and last Part of compounded intelligent Beings: In the due Subordination, the perfect Harmony, and perpetual Concord of these Three, with each other, the Perfection of these Beings does consist: In their Discord, Confusion, and Rebellion one against the other, their Degeneracy, Corruption, and Fall. It can be no Difficulty to those who are acquainted with the Analogy of Things, to conceive how these several Parts of compounded intelligent Beings are contain'd without Confusion or Contrariety in each o ther; in their primitive and uncorrupted State: When they confider, that in Water is contain'd Air, in that Æther, in that Light and perhaps in this last, a more subtle and refin'd Spirit; and all these in perfect Harmony, and Concord. But to confider thefer little more particularly. The Perception as it belongs to the fupreme Spirit, must o Necessity be a passive Principle, because it cannot create its Objects, but receive those presented to it: That it is infinite, is plain because its adequate Object is infinite, and the Suprema

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fupreme Infinite: It being bestow'd on intelligent Beings, in order to communicate with the absolute Infinite. The Necessity of this third Part of the Composition of the mention'd Rank of intelligent Beings shall be afterwards demonstrated; I proceed to consider in a few Words the Nature of some others of these Faculties, belonging to the supreme Spirit.

Proposition XV.

THE Defire is infinite in its Capacity, the most cardinal, most quick, and fensible, and most active Faculty of the Mind or spiritual Part of compounded intelligent Beings, and the Will, and the Affections are but

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Demonstrat. To be convinced of the Truth of this Proposition, we need only restect on the Source of all the Happiness or Misery of intelligent Beings, and we shall find it arises from the Enjoyment or Disappointment of their Desires. There is in all intelligent Beings a restless Appetite or Desire of Happiness: From the Moment of their Being, through all the Ages of Eternity, all their Labour, and Travel is for this Purpose: Nor are they devoid of it, either immediately in the End, or mediately in the Means, for one Instant of Time, in all their

endless Duration. Now this is the necessary Effect of the Faculty of Desire, no Object less than Infinite can satisfy it. For let it be supposed to have come to the Possession of any Object less than Infinite, its plain, it can desire yet a greater, and a greater, without Bounds or Limits; that is, it can defire an infinitely great Object, that is, the Desire it self is infinite in its Capacity; its Acts are instantaneous, and its Enjoyments or Disappointments for a Time swallow up the Acts of all the other Faculties: And therefore it is the most quick and fensible: It fets all the Powers of the whole Compofition on Action, to obtain its Ends, and therefore it is the most active: And upon all these Accounts, the most cardinal Faculty of the Mind: Choosing or resuling, that is willing, is but the Delire apply'd to a particular Object; the Affections are but the Complexions of the Desire, as apply'd to this particular Object: And therefore are both but Modifications of the Desires, wherefore, &c. q. e. d.

Scholium.

To apprehend how infinitely capacious, active, and fensible the Defire is, we need only imagine our selves, separated from the Objects of Sense, and the present Amusement

of Life, with all the Faculties of the Soul awake: And we shall then be able to conjecture how strong, active, restless, and unsatiable our Desires wou'd be. So as to swallow up and extinguish all the other Acts of the Faculties of the whole Compound. Those only can most sensibly feel the Force of this Reasoning, who have in some Measure, and for some Time been in this State.

Corollary I.

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Since the Defire is infinite in its Capacity, and may be dilated beyond any finite Object, how great foever, it is evident it cannot be over-fill'd, or fuper-abundantly (so to speak) fatisfied with any Object less than infinite: Since also, the greatest relative Infinite, cannot be affignable by Corollary 1. Prop. 1. Therefore the Defire cannot be adéqually and over-fill'd with any less Object than the absolute Infinite; it being capable of being enlarged beyond the Dimensions of any relative or creaturely Infinite assignable: And since by Corollary 6. Prop. 12. no Creature can be absolutely Infinite, therefore the Desire can be perfectly and adequately fill'd and fuper-abundantly fatisfied, by nothing less than the supreme and increated Infinite,

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Corollary II.

Since the Defire is infinite, when fill'd and fatisfied with its proper and adequate Objects, it must be infinitely happy; for fince Nothing, by the preceeding Corollary, but the absolute and increated Infinite, can adequately fill, and fuper-abundantly fatisfy it, The absolute and increated Infinite must be its proper Object, and the Desire infinite in it felf, fill'd and perfectly fatisfy'd with its proper Object, the fupreme and increated Infinite, must of Necessity be infinitely happy. Happiness arising from the Congruity of the Object with the Faculty, and this Supreme and increated Infinite being the proper, and indeed the only proper Object, (fince the supreme Infinite is one) it must alone be the congruous Object, and fo the Faculty being infinite, the Object infinite, and they infinitely congruous to one another. The Desire, in the Possession or Enjoyment of this Object, must of Necessity be infinitely happy.

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Proposition XVI.

In regard of intelligent Beings, every Thing that is in the Universitas rerum, may be fully comprehended under these three general

neral Heads, to wit, the Faculty or Desire, the Object of this Faculty or Desire, and the Sensation arising from the Congruity or

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Demonstrat. All the distinct Sublistences that actually exist, are comprehended under these two general Heads, the supreme and absolute Infinite, and the Creature, and these can be only Objects of the Faculty or Defire. The Faculty or Defire being infinite, by the preceeding Proposition, may contain or receive both these, and the Sensation arifing from their Congruity or Incongruity to the Faculty, must together with these two general Heads mention'd, comprehend every Thing in the Universitas rerum in regard to any particular intelligent Being. For nothing can be imagin'd in the whole Extent of Being, real or intellectual, that may not be reduced to Faculty, Object, or Sensation arifing from these. Therefore, &c. q. e. d.

Proposition XVII.

An intelligent Being, compounded of a Body, Soul, and Spirit, with proper Relations, and in Subordination to each other, is a real Epitome, Image, or Representation of the Universitas rerum omnium.

Demonstrat. This is so evident from the Analogy of Things; that there can be no

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Difficulty in it, to those who will consider. that the fupreme Infinite cou'd have nothing more perfect than himself and his other Works, and his own perfect Administration and Government of these; to form this compounded Being upon. He must be consistent with himself, and his compounded Works, in their component Parts, must resemble in the lesser Compositions, the similar Parts of the Greater. This intelligent compounded Being, being to have a material Part, what can it have more worthy of the Work of infinite Perfection, than his greater System of material Beings to refemble? His Soul or rational Part can refemble nothing more worthy of Him, than the other higher Orders of created Spirits: And his supreme Spirit or Mind, will bear its best Resemblance, when it represents the supreme Infi-His Administration and Government nite. of the whole System of created Beings, can be represented by nothing so aptly, as the Relations and Subordination of these to each other, and to the rest of intelligent Beings, which these cou'd only be formed upon. In a Word, it is impossible that any Idea of a compounded intelligent Being, made up of feveral Parts, each similar to some greater Part of the Universitas rerum, already existent, cou'd enter to the divine Mind, which cou'd be more perfect and more worthy

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thy of Him, than this, that each interior Part shou'd be an Epitome and Resemblance of his Works already made, and the highest Part of Himself, and that their Relations and Subordination shou'd resemble his Administration of the whole. I say it is impossible it shou'd be otherwise, to preserve his Consistency with himself, and to carry on this Analogy, through every individual Part of his Works, through the whole Scale of Beings, as it most certainly is carried. And this is not a meer metaphorical Picture, and Resemblance, but the real and physical Nature of compounded intelligent Beings. Wherefore, Gc. q. e. d.

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From this Foundation, by a proper Analogy, with the due Limitations; all the Relations and moral Duties, of intelligent compounded Beings, to the supreme Infinite, to similar intelligent Beings, and to themselves, may be easily deduced; for Instance, do we resemble the supreme Insinite, in our supreme Spirit: Then as he is the first in Order of Beings, so is this Part of our Composition, the first and most principal, in our Order of Parts. All the rest must be subservient and subordinate in us, to this, as the rest of the several Ranks of Beings are to him: This

we are chiefly and mainly to cultivate by fitting it up for him, for whom it was originally defign'd and bestow'd upon us. Here, we must aspire after Him, and open our Desires for Him, by a Love worthy of Him, Superior infinitely to all our other Loves and Defires: On this Part and its Faculties. our greatest, our chief, nay, and our only Labour is to be bestow'd; that it may be expanded, dilated, and elevated to its proper Rank in the Order of our Parts; that the due Subordination may be restored; which done, all the other Parts will perform their proper Functions, in Harmony and Concord. In regard to other intelligent Beings, we are to consider them as like Images of Him and his Works; and follow them with a Benevolence proper to fuch Images, to imitate his Conduct of Love and Forbearance, to all his Creatures. only by the by.

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Hence, in a proper Analogy, the Nature of the spiritual and material Parts of compounded intelligent Beings and of the Union between these, as far as they may be known by mere human Reason, is to be deduced. Compounded intelligent Beings are Epitomes or Images of the Universitas rerum. In their

their Bodies they resemble the material Syflem of Things, in their fpiritual Parts they refemble the spiritual World, the Union of these two is a Resemblance of (or is maintain'dand preserv'd after) the Manner, the supreme Being governs the material System of Things: Who being intimately present with every individual Atom of Matter, yet more eminently acts from his fuperior Throne of Glory, having the whole Syflem of Creatures in one View presented to him, in the universal Space, his special Senforium. By this Principle, as a Key, the whole Philosophy of human Nature, of the animal, rational, and divine Life, of the Paffions and Affections of the Soul, and even of the Organism of the Body, so far as it is just and genuine, and given to mere human Reason to know, is to be unlockt, and that not metaphifically but phifically and in reality. But who is sufficient for the detail of these Things?

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Part, of intelligent compounded Beings, is evidently to be deduced. For fince the fpiritual Part, of intelligent compounded Beings, is an Epitome and Image of the spiritual World; and the supreme Spirit, (that Part

Part which God originally breath'd into Man) is an Epitome and Representation of the absolute Infinite; since by Corollary 2. Prop. 13. he necessarily exists, therefore the Soul, or spiritual Part (whereof this supreme Spirit is the Fund or intimate Substance must exist for ever. Not necessarily, for that Conclusion wou'd drop the proper Limitation in the Analogy, arising from abso. lute Infinitude: But, as being Images of him, who exists necessarily, and having their Being from him. Their Immortality is indeed an active, living Principle, not of ne cessary, (but deriv'd) Existence. They are immortal, as having represented on them all his communicable Perfections; of which, perpetual Existence is one, tho' necessary Existence be not; that being contrary to Creation, or deriving a Being from another. Immortality in Creatures is nothing but perpetuity of Existence, and if Existence at all be communicable to Creatures, perpetua Existence must be communicable: For Existence, being an active, living Principle, will of it felf continue Being for ever, unless it be destroyed: Which is impossible, both from the Immutability of God, and the Nature of his own Immortality, of which this is an Image, or Resemblance. The Immorfill, tality of spiritual Creatures, is an Emanative Vie on from an Image of the divine communicamay ble

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ble Immortality. And must resemble every Thing in it, but Necessity, that being a Contradiction to its being deriv'd. But in every other Circumstance it perfectly resembles the Immortality of the superior Infinite, (as far as creaturely Properties can refemble divine Attributes) and fo cannot possibly be destroyed: And this is the true Source of the Immortality of all Creatures. It is true, this Demonstration equally concludes the Immortality of all his other Works, fince they are equally his Images, in a higher or lower Degree of Perfection: And without all doubt it must be so, for the Gifts and calling of God are without Repentance. And this is the genuine, and as the Schools call it, the apodeictick Demonstration of the Immortality of all the Works of God, under some Form or another; it is from their being his Images that their Immortality springs.

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Corollary IV.

In the Analogy of Things, the Desire being the cardinal Faculty of the Soul, and infinite in its Capacity, is as the infinite Space, to the divine Plenitude: Which infinite Space, nothing created can adequately fill, but the divine Plenitude. And in this View, the infinite Capacity of the Desire nica may be confidered as a boundle so Void, made Systems of Matter, acting by established Laws, and in comely Order, upon one another for a while, but can never be perfectly fill'd, or adequately replenish'd, but by the supreme Infinite: Who is present with, and replenishes every Point of the great and universal Void of Nature.

Scholium I.

As in regard to intelligent Beings, the Universitas rerum omnium, is fully comprehended under these three general Heads; the Faculty or Desire, the Object, and the Sen-Sation arising from the Congruity or Incongruity between these. So the same Analogy with proper Limitations is preserved in the material System of Things. For answerable to these, we have in the material World, Gravitation, which wonderfully analogifes to the Faculty or Desire in the Spiritual World, and this to that; both being the active, cardinal, and energetick Principles of either Systems respectively. Next we have a Mass of extended sensible Matter, if collectively confidered, or Systems of material Bodies, diversly figured and situated in regard to one another, if separately considered: And in both these Views, they admirably represent the Subject or Object of the De-

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Defire, which is analogifed by Attraction or Gravitation. And lastly, we have the harmonious, comely, and decent Motions, and Actions of one Body upon another, arising from the Attraction or Gravitation's being impress'd on the Mass, and each particular Body; and this too answers wonderfully to the third Principle in the Universitas rerum. And this Analogy descends even to particular Bodies, for in these we have the Form, the subject Matter, and the Congruity between these.

Scholium II.

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From the whole proceeding Chain of intellectual Truths, we may form to our felves some faint, low, and imperfect Image or Representation of the EVER-BLESSED TRI-NITY IN UNITY. For fince by Corollary 1. Prop. 14. the Modes of natural or created Things, when analogically elevated to their fimilar Attributes in the supreme Infinite, in Him, are infinite Realities. Since, by the same Proposition, an intelligent Being is, as to its spiritual Part, an Emanation from, an Image and Representation of, the supreme Infinite: And fince also, in regard to these intelligent compounded Beings, all that is in the Universitas rerum omnium, may be fully comprehended under these three general Heads

Heads or Principles. The Defire, the Object, and the Sensation arising from the Congruity or Incongruity between the Faculty and the Object. Since laftly, this Analogy is preferv'd full and clear, through the spiritual and material Worlds, and each particular Body, that is, through the whole System of Creatures: It is highly probable, fo constant and universal an Analogy can arise from nothing, but from its Patern and Architype in the divine Nature: And without all peradventure, cou'd we fully and clearly carry it up to its Source; we shou'd there find the Origin and Source of this HOLY TER. NARY; or of these three essential Relations, of the whole, to the whole in the completion of the GODHEAD. Let us therefore try, in some poor low Manner, to carry up this Analogy, as high as possible we The first Thing then that we are to can. consider in the divine Nature is, the Desire, now this being supposed, to belong to a supremely infinite intelligent Being, must be an infinitely active, ardent, strong, and powerful Thought. And that, not as created, or relative Infinitude expresses it, but as the absolute and supreme Infinitude elevates this Desire. Now then this supremely infinite Desire, this active and ardent Thirst after Happiness, or after a full, plenary, and compleat, beautifying Object, we fhall

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shall suppose to represent the FATHER, the original and first Principle in the divine Nature: Seeing then, there is no Confideration here of any Thing but of God himfelf. nor is it possible for any other Object, but God himfelf to fatisfy, and adequately to fill this supremely infinite Ardor, Thirst, and Desire of Happiness. Therefore He bimfelf, reflected in upon Himfelf, viewing and contemplating his own infinite Perfections: The infinite ardent Desire, fill'd and fatisfy'd with his own essential Happines: The Brightness of his Glory, and the express Image, (the effential Idea) of his Substance, reflected in upon himself: Or God himself reduplicatively contemplating himself, (he having nothing else possible, to be the Object of his Love, Delight, or Desire) reprefents to us the begotten Deity, the SON, the fecond divine Principle in the Order of the Godhead. Upon this Reflection, Contemplation, and Possession of God himself, in himself; there must of Necessity arise a Joy, Happiness, Acquiescence, and Satisfaction of God himself within himself, so much the more perfect, full, extreme, and infinite, as his Desire, Thirst, and Ardor after Happiness was active and strong. And this may shadow out to us the third and last in Order of these essential Principles in this mysterious Ternary, to wit, the HOLY GHOST. PART II. And

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And tho' these three Relations of the Godhead in it felf, in regard to Creatures, and when deriv'd down analogically to natural Things, may appear but Modifications of a real Subliftence, yet in regard to the divine Nature, and confidering his supreme Infinitude, they must be essential and infinitely real and living Principles; and in this I. mage, and View of the HOLY AND UN-DIVIDED TRINITY, low and poor as it is: it is impossible the SON shou'd be without the FATHER, or the FATHER without the SON, or both without the HOLY GHOST. It is impossible, the SON should not necessarily and eternally be begotten of the FATHER, or that the HOLY GHOST shou'd not necessarily and eternally proceed from both; He necessarily arising from the Sensation of the infinite Agreement and Congruity of the Object with the Defire. And tho' the Idea, Image, or Representation, that God makes of himself to himself, be the same God in Essence, since it is a most perfect, express, and substantial Image, or Representation of the whole divine Substance and Nature, and necessarily has in it the whole, that is in God, and with the same infinite Persections, that is really in the Godhead, being only the Divinity, reflected in upon it felf: Yet there is a Difference, between the Idea, Image, and Represen.

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presentation, and the original Divinity. For the fame Perfections which are in the original and contemplating Divinity directly, are but indirectly, and by Reflection in the contemplated and begotten Deity; and they differ by the Relations of begetting, contemplating, and representing; and being begotten, contemplated, and represented: And tho' these be only mere Relations, and Modifications, when transfer'd to natural and created Things, yet are they infinite Realities in the Deity. It is the same with the Sensation of Love, Joy, Acquiescence, and Happiness, that arises in the divine Nature, rom contemplating and possessing himself and his own infinite Perfections within bimfelf. And these three Relations of contemplating, eing contemplated, and of Acquie scence arising rom them: Which in a natural View, wou'd only be Modifications; yet in the divine Nature, are infinite Realities and effential nd living Principles: And may ferve as a aint and imperfect Image of THIS ADORA-BLE AND UNSEARCHABLE MYSTE-RY. Now tho' thefeViews and Representatins of this INEFFABLE AND INCOM-REHENSIBLE MYSTER Yarife naturally nd necessarily from the Analogy of Things, ifficiently established in the preceding Proositions; and without all doubt, have some eal Truth in them; fince it is certain, thefe G 2

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Relations and Modifications of Subfiftence are really in intelligent Beings, in the mate. rial System of Things, and in particular Bodies: And cou'd have no other Rife and Source, but from their Patern and Architype in the divine Nature. Yet when apply'd to the supreme Infinite, these Relations and Distinctions must be express'd in Words, that have a quite different Sense affix'd to them, by common Use, from what they Shou'd here import: And since the Attributes and Relations of the supreme Infinite, must be incomprehensible to finite Creatures, especially to Creatures, conversant only about low, grofs, and material Images; all I wou'd be understood to conclude from this Analogy, thus raised to the supreme Infinite is, that Reason may form an analogical imperfect Image (and that's all it can do) of INCONCEIVABLE MYSTERY. which may in some Measure help those (who have not attain'd to a more perfed Guide or higher Lights) to believe the politive Relations of his own Nature, by God himself, tho' they be not able perfectly to comprehend or express them. And if this poor Representation of so PROFOUND A MYSTERY, fo certainly and FULLY reveal'd in holy Writ, can, by the divine Bles fing, any wife contribute to settle and quiet fober and honest Minds, I shall have my ful Inten-

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Intention. Nothing less than Omnipotence, and Omniscience, being sufficient to deal with those who are otherwise disposed.

Proposition XVIII.

THERE must of Necessity be some Principle of Action in intelligent Beings, analogous to that of Attraction in the material System, and that is, the Principle of Reunion with the supreme Infinite, by him originally

impress'd on their supreme Spirits.

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Demonstrat. That there must be some Principle of Action impress'd on intelligent Beings, analogous to that of Attraction in the material System, is evident from the Analogy of Things, the Confiftency of the Works of the fupreme Infinite with themfelves, the Uniformity conspicuous in all the Creatures, and that the Material are but Images and Representations according to their respective Natures of the supreme Infinite, as well as of the intelligent System of Beings. There must therefore some great Principle of Uniformity run thro' both Systems, that is, the whole Creation. Now that Attraction, or fomething analogous thereto, is the great Principle of Activity in the material System, has been sufficiently demonstrated in the former Part of this Treatife. must of Necessity therefore be some great

Principle analogous to this, in the System of intelligent Beings. And that this can be nothing, but that great Principle of Reunion, with the Author of their Being, originally impress'd on every intelligent Creature, is evident from hence, to wit, that the supreme infinite Being, infinitely powerful and perfect, must necessarily subject, draw, and unite all intelligent Beings to himfelf, to make them as happy, as their respective Natures can admit. That himself is the fole Object of their Happiness cannot be doubted; there may be collateral and accessory Objects of their Happiness, but even these must flow from him: But that he is the supreme Object, and the fingle one that can adequately fatisfy them, has been shewn before: That therefore, to bring them to this Happiness, he must impress upon, or derive to them a Principle of Reunion with himself, is plain, because this is the fingle Mean, to bring them to this End; for the known Law of Nature obtains even here, and every where, to wit, that Action and Reaction is mutual, so that if the supreme Infinite must draw them to him in Order to make them happy, they must have a Principle of being drawn towards him. That it must be a radical and effential Principle, is evident also, because this Happiness is the very End of their Creation, it being impossible infinite

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finite Perfection shou'd make intelligent Beings, for any less or any other End. Wherefore the supreme Infinite cou'd not make intelligent Creatures, without implanting in their Natures, a most ardent Desire, an effential Principle, interwoven in the Substance of the spiritual Natures, of being reunited with himself, in order to make them as happy as their relative Natures will admit of. Besides, intelligent Beings (as to their spiritual Part) are Images of the fupreme Infinite by Prop. 15. In him there is an infinite Defire, and Ardor of possessing and enjoying himself, and his own infinite Perfections, in order to render him happy; he himself is the sole Object of his own, and of the Felicity of all his Creatures. must therefore be an Image of this his infinite Desire after Happiness in all his intelligent Creatures; and this Image can be nothing but this Principle of Reunion, fince nothing but this can unite them with him. to make them happy. Lastly, an intelligent Being, coming out of the Hands of infinite Perfection, with an Aversion, or even Indifferency, to be re-united with its Author, the Source of its utmost Felicicy, is fuch a Shock, and Deformity in the beautiful Analogy of Things, fuch a Breach and Gap in the harmonious Uniformity, observable in all the Works of the Almighty, and that too, works; as is not confistent with finite Wifdom and Perfection, much less with the fupremely infinite Wisdom of the ALL-PER-FECT. Wherefore, &c. q. e. d.

Corollary I.

HENCE we may discover the Source of natural Conscience, and of all those Motions and Convulsions, that are raised in the Breasts of compounded intelligent Beings, upon the Commission and Omission of certain Actions: Of that Comfort, Joy, and Support in some; and of that Dejection, Dread, and Terror on the Minds of others; where no natural Causes can be assign'd. Hence the noble and fublime Descoveries of the antient Heathen Philosophers, in the Principles of moral Virtues, without the Affistance of Revelation. Hence it is, that Scelerats can by no Arts, nor any Amusements how violent foever, stifle the Cries of a wounded Conscience; and hence also, it is, that honest and upright Minds are fometimes fwallow'd up by a Tranquility and Peace that furpasses natural Understanding. That this Principle of Reunion is defaced, buried, and in some Measure as it were obliterated by contrary Attractions, by Senfuality, and the violent Amusements of Licentiousness in compounded

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pounded intelligent Beings, is no more an Argument against its essentially belonging to intelligent Beings, than the *Ideotism* of some is an Argument against the Principle of Reason in human Nature. But,

Corollary II.

FROM this Principle's being fo radically implanted in all the Individuals of intelligent Beings, and from the fo very few Instances and Remains of it, conspicuous in the human Race; we may gather the infinite and universal Degeneracy and Corruption of this Set of intelligent Beings, from their primitive and original Institution. This Principle was most certainly implanted in their Creation, in the very Fund and Substance of their Natures, and yet there remains but few Footsteps, and Instances of its Being or Effects. There are indeed (as in the greater World) some legible Characters, strong Out-lines, and prominent Lineaments of its original Beauty, some magnificent Ruins, which shew what it had been. enough to demonstrate the original Impresion, Beauty, and real Being, of fuch a Principle, in all the Individuals of this Race, as is evident from the Pangs and Torures of natural Conscience, when it is couner-acted. But the little Effect it has, from what

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what it was design'd to have, is an evident Demonstration of the deep and universal Corruption of this Set of intelligent Beings.

Corollary III.

HENCE we may farther discover the Force, Truth, and Universality of this wonderful Analogy of Things; whatever we discover of the Works of Nature, is from this Source, and whenever we get the least glympse into the Manner of the divine Operating, we discover fresh Instances of this Analogy. This Principle of Reunion in intelligent Beings, wonderfully analogifes with that of Attraction in the material World: As to the supreme Infinite, it may be very properly called his Attraction of them, and as to them, their central Tendency or Gravitation (so to speak) toward him; and this Principle of Reunion, if attended to, duly cultivated, and expanded, wou'd as certainly bring about the temporal and eternal Happinels of all intelligent Beings in the Spiritual World; as that of Attraction brings about the comely and barmonious Motions of the great Bodies of the material World. This Principle of Reunion is the original Source and Spring of the Defire, afore-demonstrated to be the cardinal Faculty of the spiritual Part of intelligent Beings

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Beings. The Principle of Reunion is the Root and Foundation of the Desire, in regard to its first Cause and original Impression by the supreme Infinite. This Principle of Reunion, as it is confidered, as an infinitely active, quick, and fensible Faculty, in the spiritual Part of compounded intelligent Beings, is the Desire of Happiness; as it is confidered as a theological Virtue, it is Charity; and as it is confidered as a Rule of Action, it is natural Conscience. But the Principle of Reunion, in its whole Extent, as it was originally impress'd upon, and quite interwoven with the intimate Fund and Substance of the spiritual Part of compounded intelligent Beings, is the Source, Origin, and Root of all thefe.

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Hence, the true and genuine Nature of moral Good and Evil, and of all the moral Virtues, and focial Duties of Life, as from their genuine Fountain and Source, is to be derived. Whatever retards, or opposes this Reunion in intelligent Beings, is to them moral Evil, whatever promotes or advances this Reunion, is to them moral Good. Besides, this Principle of Reunion duly cultivated, regularly unfolded, and carefully attended to, must necessarily produce and perfect

fect in the Soul universal Charity; that is, the Love of the supreme Being, and of all his Images in a due Subordination; and thereby instruct, and beget in the Soul, all the moral Virtues and social Duties of Life. All these being virtually and necessarily included in Charity. But to explain this Matter (which is of the utmost Consequence towards a right Apprehension of solid Religion) a little farther, I say

Proposition XIX.

Charity, or the Love of the supreme Being, and of all his Images in a proper Subordination, according to their Rank in the Scale of Subsistences, is the necessary Essed of this Principle of Reunion, when fully

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Demonstrat. By Corollary 4. Prop. 17. nothing but the supreme and absolute Installe can adequately fill and superabundantly satisfy the infinite Desires of intelligent Beings; the Desire in intelligent Being is their Love, for no intelligent Being can desire any Thing in Order to make it happy, but what it loves; or can love any Thing, but what it desires to enjoy, (Indifference being the middle State, and Aversion the equal Opposite, both to Love and Desire.) So that an infinite Desire of the supreme

and absolute Infinite, is an ardent Love of that Being. But the Principle of Reunion, expanded, fet at freedom, and arrived at its ultimate End and Center, is intirely the same with the infinite Desire in intelligent Creatures, posses'd of its sole and proper Object, the supreme and absolute Infinite. Consequently the Principle of Reunion, expanded, and fet at freedom, in order to arrive at this ultimate End and Center, must necessarily beget in the Spirits of intelligent Creatures, this infinite Desire of the fole and proper Object; that is, an infinite Love of the supreme Being: And by necessary Consequence, a Love of all his Images in Proportion to their Resemblance of him; that is, the Principle of Reunion when expanded, and fet at freedom, must necessarily beget in the Spirits of intelligent Beings, a Love of the supreme Being, and of all his Images in a proper Subordination, according to their Rank in the Scale of Sublistences, that is Charity. q. e. d.

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Corollary I.

HENCE, Charity, or the Love of the fupreme Being, and of all his Images in a proper Subordination, in its true and genuine Nature, is not founded on Interest, or the

the Views of Rewards and Punishments; but altogether on the abstracted Perfections of its Object, the supreme Infinite. Charity in its Origin, and as it ought to be, according to the true Analogy of Things, is a physical and necessary Consequence of the Principle of Reunion: It flows naturally from an implanted Faculty, and has for its Object the supreme Infinite, in his own independent and effential Nature, as he is abfolutely good and perfect, without any collateral Views or Regards. Charity is in a higher Degree, and in a more noble Creature (one, to wit, endowed with freedom and liberty of acting) what Motion, proceding from the Principle of Gravitation, is in Brute-matter, or what the Tendency of the Planets is towards the Sun, viz. a natural Consequence of an implanted Principle. This is so clear and so certain in true Philosophy, that it is Matter of Astonishment to me, how it came once to be doubted, much less disputed. Henry Moor's Argument on this Head is as cogent and just, as any Demonstration in Euclid or " As the Object of the Intel-Apollonius. " lect (says he) is that which is simply " true, and is assented to as such, and not " as true to this particular Intellect which " contemplates it, so there is an Object that " is simply Good and Lovely, and to be lovac ed

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" ed as such, without regard to the Party " that thus loves it. And in another Place. he uses the familiar Illustration of Ginger-Bread and Mathematicks, wherein he grants the former may be a Spur to the latter, 'till Age and good Sense, with the Knowledge of the intrinsic Beauty and Worth of the latter, makes the Student in love with the Study it felf, without any Confideration of the childish Bait. As in natural Love. Persons become often enamoured of outward Beauty, without any particular Knowledge of its Possessor, or its attainableness by them; so without all peradventure, infinite Perfection, for its own intrinfic Pulchritude, must be the proper Object of divine Charity, without any particular regard to the Party loving it. Not that Interest, or a View to Rewards and Punishments, is not often the only Motive of divine Love: And always is a very proper and laudable one, when infinite Perfection is the Object. And in reality, it is as high as most of the lapsed Race of Adam, in their degenerate State, can rise to. But as Things are in their original Natures, were in their Integral, and must be in their reintegrated State. Infinite Beauty, or Perfection, without any regard to Self-Interest, or any View to Rewards or Punishments, is, was, and must

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must be, the proper and sole Object of pure and perfect divine Love or Charity.

Corollary II.

HENCE the Service, Worship, and Homage, we owe to the supreme Being, is founded intirely upon his own original Excellencies, and Perfections, and not on his Rewards and Punishments; there neither ever was, nor ever cou'd be any room for Contracts, or Pactions, between the supreme Being, and his intelligent Creatures, in the original Constitution of Things. He made all Things by the Word of his Power, and for his Pleasure they are and were created. Infinite Perfection is to be lov'd, admir'd, ador'd, and ferv'd, for being infinitely perfect, antecedently, and without any regard to Creatures: And when Creatures are brought into Existence, this primary Reason of Love, and Adoration subsists, and in order of Nature and Dignity is prior and preferable to all other Reasons. Creation adds nothing essential to infinite Perfection, but a Circumstance only, which too intirely vanishes when brought into Comparison with the original Beauty of the absolute Infinite. All his Creatures, that act naturally, correspond and are faithful, to the greatest Exactness to his original Impressions, and his appointed

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brought about, makes himself and his own Happiness his ultimate End, and so places himself in the Rank and Order that belongs to GOD only, and himself becomes his own Idol. He only can be said truly to Love GOD, with a Love undivided, and worthy of him, who having loved him, as far as Rewards and Punishments will carry him, goes on still further to love him, loses all views of these mercenary Motives, and seeks for no Fuel to seed the celestial Flame, but the unexhaustible Pulchritude, and Persections of the beloved Objett.

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Charity, or the pure and disinterested Low of GOD, and of all his Images in a proper Subordination, is the end of the Law; the Accomplishment of all the Graces, and the consummate Perfection of Christianity.

Demonstrat. On these Two, to wit, the Love of GOD and our Neighbour, hang both the Law and the Prophets, says the ADO RABLE AUTHOR OF CHRISTIANITY and the Apostle says, the end of the Law is Charity, if the supreme Being is the ultimate Object of the Felicity of all intelligent Creatures, and Charity the mean to attain this end, as is evident from the proceeding Proposition; then is Charity the confummate Perfection of Christianity. The whole

whole of Christianity is nothing but Rules for attaining this Love, or Measures whereby to remove the Impediments that hinder this Principle of Reunion (the source of Charity) from operating, or Means to destroy the contrary Attractions which disturb the natural Operation of this Principle of Reunion; which wou'd of it self, if not stifled, opposed, and counteracted, necessarily beget this Divine Charity, whereby the Soul wou'd instantly be united with it's Center, and ultimate End, the supreme and absolute Instinite. q. e. d.

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To this Doctrine of pure Love, there re made but two Objections which have ny Weight or Force in them. The First s, that the Motives for Love and Obedince, urged by Moses and the Prophets, CHRIST and his Apostles, are founded on Rewards and Punishments, and that thereore without Blasphemy, we are not to ofer at, or pretend to, more high and fublime Motives or Principles, than the Friend of FOD, and the SON OF GOD, (the Stanard in their feveral Difpensations, of Puity and Perfection) thought fit to press or ropose. The plain and genuine Answer to his Objection is, that the Author of our seing, who loves all his Creatures better H 2.

than they can love themselves, uses all Motives that are honest, laudable, and just, to gain them; he knows perfectly the Frame and original Complexion of all his Creatures, and that in their lapfed State they must ascend to Perfection by Steps and Degrees; and confequently that some are to be wrough upon by one Motive, others by another, and that generally the first Steps are mounted by the Force of the Terrors of the Lord, before the Love of GOD is shed in their There are Babes in CHRIST, as well as grown and perfect Men, and their Food (or Motives to Charity) must be as their Years and Strength are: But our SAVIOUR tells us, we must love the LORD our GOD, with all our Heart, with all our Soul, with allour Strength, and with allour Mind, and if so, we shall have very little Love left behind for our selves. And his beloved Disciple tells us, that perfect Love casteth out Fear, and confequently Hope, that is, Rewards and Punishments, which are true, good, and falutary Motives, tho' not the best. The second Objection is from the impossibility of Loving or begetting Love without a Regard to Rewards or Punishments. But this Objection arises from Ignorance of the true Nature of this Affection of the Soul. Love is the Complexion of the Will or Desires, as was shown Prop. 15. it belongs to the unin

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uninlighten'd Faculty of the Mind, the Will. and not to the enlighten'd Faculty, as the Understanding is, and so naturally, and of it self has no real Respect to Rewards or Punishments, which are Motives offer'd by the Understanding: We love, because we will love without Reasoning, or because the Object of our Love is amiable, and not because it will hurt or heal us. Love is blind, and be. longs intirely to the Will, and not to the Intellect. But passing this, as perhaps too metaphysical, Ianswer, 2dly, as we may for one fingle Instant, and for one fingle Act, abstract from a Reward, forget it, or counteract it, (which no Body who knows the prescindent Faculties of the Soul, and that Love and Rewards are effentally united in their own Natures can deny) fo we may thus abstract again, and again, and so in Infinitum, and thus beget a Habit for what may once be done, may for any impossibility in the Nature of the thing be done for ever: This is Demonstration. But I proceed.

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Proposition XXI.

In all intelligent Beings, there must be Faculties sitted for all the several Ranks of Objects, in the Universitas rerum; that is, since there are evidently three Ranks of H 3 Objects,

Objects, in the Universitas rerum; to wit, the material System of Things, the spiritual World of created Spirits, and the supreme and absolute Infinite. Intelligent Beings must necessarily be sitted with Faculties suited to these three generical Ranks of Objects.

Demonstrat. This is evident from the feveral different Mediums, which all infer the fame Conclusion. 1. Intelligent Beings are Images of the supreme Infinite, who alone perfectly comprehends and knows himfelfand all his Creatures, that is, all these three generical Objects, in the Universitas rerum. He has different Sensations and Perceptions (as far as Diversity can be consistent with his infinite Simplicity) arising in himself from all these three different Objects, and confequently Faculties fitted for them: Therefore intelligent Creatures, his Images, the Representations of all his communicable Perfections, must of necessity have analogous Faculties, fitted for all these three different Objects. 2. There are Relations, incumbent upon all intelligent Beings towards each other, and towards the fupreme Infinite; fuch as Love, and Benevolence. Therefore intelligent Beings must be endow'd with Faculties fitted for receiving the Impressions, and to perceive the Effects of these Relations, else they wou'd be in vain: And these are two of the different Ranks of Ojects;

Objects; and no Body questions intelligent Beings, being fitted with Faculties for the third; to wit, the material System of Things. 3. As to the Spiritual World, including the supreme and absolute Infinite as its Head. The Principle of Reunion, whose necessity in intelligent Beings, I have now demonstrated, makes it absolutely necessary, they shou'd be provided with Faculties fit for Communication and Union with the Supreme Infinite; elfe, they were not fusceptible of that Happiness which was the fole End of their Being. 4. That which is the apodeictick Demonstration of the Truth of this Propolition, and at the fame Time proves the Diverfity of these several Faculties, to be as real as that of the Objects is, is the manner fter which compounded intelligent Beings are provided with Faculties for the material System of Things. Material Things re presented to them only through their senses; they have a real and material infux on these, else they are not really perceiv'd; and all real Knowledge of material Things is convey'd into the Understanding, through these Senses: Wherefore it is evident, compounded intelligent Beings are endowed with a Faculty of perceiving or receiving material Things, thro' their Senses, which is called Perception. Next they have a Faculty of painting these Perceptions or their

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their Images when the Objects are absent. and this is called Imagination, and laftly, a Faculty of combining and comparing the real Perceptions of these material Things or their Images, and this Faculty is called Reason. And all these three distinct Operations belong to the rational Soul, in order to fit it for Communication with the material World. Now by the Analogy of Things, fuch like and fimilar Faculties must of necessity belong to the spiritual part of compounded intelligent Beings, to fit them for a Communication with the two remaining Ranks of Objects; to wit, a Spiritual Perception and Spiritual Senses, Imagination and Understanding, for the spiritual World of intelligent Beings, and divine Senses, Perception, Imagination and Understanding, for communicating with the supreme Infinite. For this Analogy will perpetually hold good and true, from the Simplicity and Unity of the divine Nature; to wit, fuch as the Faculties are by which we communicate with the material World, fuch analogically, and with proper Limitations, are those by which we communicate with the World of Spirits, and the Supreme Infinite. And as we see compounded intelligent Beings have bodily Senses, which folely belong to the material World, so in the Analogy of Things, they must have Faculties different different and distinct in themselves peculiarly sitted appropriated to the other Objects in the Universitas rerum. Wherefore, Gr. q. e. d.

Corollary. I.

HENCE we may conceive the Reason why in boly Writ, the whole Man is diffinguished into Body, Soul and Spirit; whence comes the Distinction of the natural and spiritual, or inward Man, between the Law of the Members, and the Law of the Mind. These Distinctions and Divisions, I say, are eafily conceiv'd from the foregoing Propo-For the Body and rational Soul belong to this material System of Things, and are fitted with Faculties for communieating with it, and is called the outward Man; and the following it's practical Dictates in Rebellion against, and in Opposition to the Dictates of the Spirit, the inward Man: The effential Principle of Reunion, the Law of the Mind, which is fitted only for communicating with the supreme Infinite: I fay, the following the practical Dictates of the first, in Opposition to the Dictates of the latter, is called in the Language of the Spirit, the following the Law of the Members.

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Corollary II.

As there are three different Principles, Orders, or Predicaments of Being; to wit, GOD the Creator of all Things, created Spirits, and material Bodies: So there are analogically, in compounded intelligent Beings, three different and distinct Principles, adapted and appropriated, for communicating with, and enjoying these respective Objects: Whereof every one is endow'd with proper Senfes, Powers and Faculties, different and distinct from each other; that is, as the material System of Things, is the proper Object of the Senses, and rational Soul; and as this Principle is fitted with outward Senses, Perception, Imagination, Understanding, and Will; So the Principle, whereby they are fitted to communicate with the created spiritual World, is endowed with inward Senfes, Imagination, Understanding, and Will; and the Supreme Spirit, or third Principle, whereby they are fitted to communicate with the fupreme uncreated Infinite, is endowed with inmost (so to speak) Senses, Imagination, Understanding and Will; and all these in their primitive and original Constitution, in Subordination, Harmony, and Agreement, without Contrariety or Confusion one with another.

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Corollary III.

HENCE we may deduce the true and genuine Nature, and Extent, of the Degeneracy, Corruption and Fall of the human Race of intelligent Creatures, which confifts in the Confusion, Discord, Rebellion, and Contrariety of these different and distinct Principles one with, and against another; in throwing off that due Subordination, Subjection, and proper Rank and Order, that was originally established among these Faculties; according to the Dignity of these different Objects; the Order of Nature, and the Analogy of Things, and following the practical Dictates, and Conclusions deduced from these rebellious Faculties. when in this anarchical and rebellious State of human Nature, the Faculties belonging to the material World prefume to judge of, and determine the Nature of the Subjects belonging to the supreme Spirit; take the Government and Administration of the whole Man, which properly belongs, in the Order of Nature, to this third Principle; lead the other Principles as Slaves and Captives, and force them to comply with the practical Dictates they prescribe,

and deduce in their usurp'd Superiority; and under this compliance, begetting and producing physical and durable Effects, the whole Order of Nature, and the material System of Things, fo far as these physical and durable Effects reach, becomes distorted, inverted. and corrupted.

Proposition XXII.

THE rational Soul is not that Faculty in compounded intelligent Beings, which in the Order of Nature, and the Analogy of Things, is appropriated for the spiritual World (including the supreme Infinite as it's Head.)

Demonstrat. Tho' this be a necessary Corollary from the preceding Proposition, yet fince it is of great Consequence to true divine Knowledge, to have it's Truth established beyond all possibility of Cavil; I shall here fuggest some other Mediums, or fet those already suggested in another Limit, from whence the same Conclusion may be deduced. And I. This is evident from the Nature of this Faculty, and the manner of its operating. Reasoning is the comparing, or the confidering the congruity, or incongruity of the Perceptions, fuggested by the Senses, or of the Ideas lodg'd in the Memory, or painted on the Imagination to one another; and Reason is the Faculty whereby

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whereby this is perform'd. Now the Senses fend in only the Influxes of material Things. and the Imagination and Memory present only their Pictures or Images, when the Objects themseves are absent; and here is all the rational Soul can do. But nothing of these belong to the supreme and increated Infinite, nor the Spiritual World. is acknowledged by all, and every one's Experience demonstrates it to him, that the rational Soul is fitted for communicating with the material World. Now fince Body and Spirit are precise and proper Opposites, it wou'd be as dissonant and incongruous in the Analogy of Things, that the same Faculty shou'd be the Principle of Communication with these two Objects so widely distant, as that the Eye shou'd both bear and fee. It is true, it may be faid, that the rational Soul might have been originally endowed with fuch Energy and Capacity, as to be fitted for communicating with both Worlds; but this is meerly gratis Dictum, and perfectly contrary to the Analogy of Things; it being impossible to bring an Instance of Nature, where Things so widely distant, and precisely opposite, are receiv'd by one and the same Faculty. We fee in the Body, or lowest part of the human Composition that it is instructed with Organs fitted for all the possible Ways, ma-

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terial Things can act upon it. And they are not near so widely distant and different in the manner of operating, as Bodies and Spirits in their Natures are. 3. There is a Two-fold Knowledge of material Things, one Real, when the Thing it felf, and the real Action and Impression thereof on our Senses is perceiv'd: The other Ideal, when the Image or Idea of a thing absent in it felf, is represented to, and considered on the Imagination: For Instance, the Heat, Light, and chearful Influences of the Sun shining on us, are widely different from the view and Consideration of its Image, or Idea on our Fancy. In the Analogy of Things, and according to the constant Order of Nature, fuch must our Knowledge of Spiritual Objects be; to wit, the one real, when the Objects make a real Impression upon the appropriated Faculty; the other Ideal, when we frame a Notion of its absent Substance and Qualities. Now it is very plain, the rational Soul is not fitted for this first kind of Knowledge or Perception of Spiritual Objects, fince a great many philosophical and learned Men, who have exercised this Faculty in its greatest Strength and Vigor, have deny'd the Existence of such Objects. 4. Laftly, That most certain and felf eviden metaphysical Axiom; to wit, that nothing can be in the Understanding, that was

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was not first in the Senses, is a certain Demonstration, that the rational Soul is not the Faculty in intelligent Beings, appropriated to the spiritual World; for every Body allows, that Spiritual Beings, as such, can never be convey'd, through the bodily Senses, to the Understanding. And therefore we must either be intirely depriv'd of Faculties, for communicating with Spiritual Beings (that is, we must be depriv'd of the only means of our supreme Felicity, and for attaining the End, for which alone we were created; to wit, communicating with the supreme and absolute infinite Spirit.) Or elfe. we must be endow'd with Faculties distinct from the rational Soul for that purpose: Upon all which Accounts it is evident beyond the most remote possibility of doubt. that the rational Soul is not that Faculty in compounded intelligent Beings, which in the Order of Nature, and the Analogy of Things, is appropriated for the Spiritual World: But that they are endow'd with arational Soul, and bodily Sense, to communicate with the material World, and with a Spirit and divine Senses, to communicate with the Supreme Infinite. So that the mention'd metaphysical Axiom continues just and true, as it shou'd according to the Analogy of Things: That as material things are convey'd to the rational Soul, through the bodily Senses, fo Spiritual

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spiritual Things (those that relate to supreme Infinite) are convey'd through the divine Senses, to the Spirit. q. e. d.

Corollary I.

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HENCE, in the Analogy of Things, as the Light of the Sun (that noble and glorious Representation, Image, and Vicegerent of the supreme Infinite, in the material World) is the Medium, through which material Things are feen and perceiv'd in our System, so the effential Light of the supreme Infinite himself, is the sole Medium, by and through which, his Nature and infinite Perfections are to be understood, and comprehended: And therefore, as certainly as the Sun fends forth his Light on the whole material World without Bounds or Limits, on the Just, and on the Unjust; so certainly, the Sun of Righteousness, the Pattern and Architype of our material Sun, fends forth his enlightening and enlivening Beams on all the System of created intelligent Beings; and is, that Light which enlightens every Man that cometh into the World.

Corollary II.

HENCE it is evident, that he who wou'd judge, determine, and pursue the practical

Conclusions of these Determinations, about the Nature and Properties of Spiritual and divine Things, by his Reason, wou'd act as incongruoufly, and contrary to the Analogy of Nature, as he who wou'd tafte Colours (as fuch) and look into Sounds. The highest that this Faculty can justly and congruously pretend to in these Matters, s from the known, certain, and experienced Nature, and Properties of material Things, to which the rational Faculty is in some neafure adequate) by a proper Analogy: And from the Visible's being low Images of the nvisible, and spiritual; to frame similar, ut imperfect Likenesses, and Representations f these superior Objects, their Natures nd Properties, as we have endeavoured to o in the preceeding Propositions; and this eally, and in fact, is all that Reason can do these sublime Matters.

Corollary III.

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HENCE, we may discover the Errors and mpieties of Spinosa and Hobbes; and the sliftakes of a later Philosopher, I mean (the therwise ingenious) Mr. Lock. The first state considered this universal System Things, as a kind of a Huge-brute-animal, stuated by a fatal, necessary, unintelligent, ndesigning Principle; without either Wise Part II.

dom or Choice. The fecond confidered human Nature (not as it really is, in its present State of Probation and Purification. a Mixture of moral and natural Good and Evil, but) in its diabolical and reprobated Estate: Not as groaning under its present State of Corruption, and waiting and panting for the glorious Liberty of the Sons and Children of God; but as it will be in an habitual confirm'd Estate of the Anarchy and Rebellion of its Faculties one against In a Word, he considered buman Nature only, as it is in the worst of Men: or as it is supposed to be at last in a State of final Impenitence, and harden'd Impiety; and this he took as his Original to copy after, and his Model, whereupon he was to frame his human Creature: And it must be allowed he has wrought it up to the Life. The third confider'd Man and his Faculties; not indeed in their already reprobated and hellish Estate; but as he really now is, in the World, a Composition of moral and natural Good and Evil: And this State he has very fairly and justly represented so far as it goes. But then, either having no Notion, or at least no Regard to his higher Faculties (which in natural and lapfed Man lye buried under the Rubbish of his present Corruptions and Senfuality;) nor to his regenerated, redintegrated and restablished Estate, (to which

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he must be restored, before he can reach the End of his Being.) No, not so much as to consider Man as he really is, a fall'n. depraved, vitiated Creature, (in which State his lower, his rational Faculties are impaired; his bigher Faculties in some measure bliterated, at least buried and oppressed by the Load of present Corruption and enfuality: And all of them in a State of Anarchy, Rebellion, and contrariety one to nother.) I fay, from having no Regard to hose other different real Estates of human Vature, his Accounts of its Faculties are ome and imperfect. His Principles when oply'd (by himself or his Disciples) to Sub-cts (to which Faculties are appropriated, igher than those he elicits out of the meer pled State of human Nature) of a more levated Order (fuch as Christianity and its oly Mysteries, Faith, Grace, divine Revetion and Inspiration, and the Means of san's Recovery) debase these into meer eathenish Morals, or human Philosophy, and nk the Oeconomy of the whole Wisdom of be Godhead, even below the poor Contriances and barren Speculations of many of ne gentile Sophists. But those who fully nderstand the Principles, and are convind of the Truth of the Propositions, I have id down, will eafily perceive the ground f the Errors and Mistakes of these three Setts

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Setts of Philosophers, and be able to an fiver their Arguments without my being obliged to detail them.

Proposition XXIII.

In the Analogy of Things, and order of Nature, as the material World is to universal Space its highest Limit and Boundary so is the spiritual World to the supreme and absolute Infinite, the highest Limit and

Boundary of all Things.

Demonstrat. This is evident from Lemn i. with Prop. 9. and 17. There is a bear tiful Analogy and Uniformity running the the whole System of Creatures. The Vill and the Created are Images of the Invible and of the Increated. The System intelligent Beings are more exalted, moren ble, and more immediate Images of the preme Infinite. The Analogy of Things ru quite through the whole System of Cre tures, up to their original Pattern and A chitype in the divine Nature, in a contin ed Subordination and Scale, according their respective Natures. The materi World is an Image of the Spiritual Worl as the spiritual World is of the Supre Infinite. As infinite Space is the Locus a Boundary of the material World, fo is t Supreme Infinite, the analogical Locus who

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hom they all live, move, and have their eing) and the Omega of all Things, spitual and material. And as Space is similar a spiritual Substance, so is that to the vine Substance, therefore, &c. q. e. d.

Corollary I.

Hence material and spiritual Substances e both of them extended; for since the sterial World is to universal Space, as e spiritual World is to the supreme Inite; and since both Matter and Space are tended, so also must spiritual Substances: And the divine Ubiquity, and Omniesence, not virtually only, but substances there may be, in the divine Substance, a esemblance of Extension (so far as a Resemblance and Similitude of Substances can teh, between a relative Infinite, such as iversal Space is, and the supreme Infinite) t infinitely more pure and perfect, than at of created Space is, or can be.

Corollary II.

Hence Matter and Spirit are Opposites in ery other Quality, except in that of Extenn; for since by Conversion of Ratio's, e material World is to the spiritual World,

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as infinite Space is to the supreme Insinite, and since these two last, to wit, universal Space, and the supreme Insinite, are opposites in every other Quality, but in Resemblance of Substances, and that too, a an absolutely insinite Distance, as is eviden at first View; therefore the other two must be opposite in every other Quality but Extension. For the extended Matter be divisible by being extended; yet Space is mactually to be divided, or one part of separated from another. Since it is the universal Locus of, and penetrates all Bodis And it is in this Sense, that the Opposition of these two Qualities in Body and Spirit meant here.

Proposition XXIV.

By the Analogy of Things, and according to the order of Nature, a Spirit is an extended, penetrable, active, indivisible, into

ligent Substance.

Demonstrat. By Def. 2. Matter is an extended, impenetrable, passive, unintelligent divisible Substance: And fince by the preceding Corollary, Matter and Spirit are in every other Quality opposite, except in the of Extension; therefore in Place of all the Qualities in the Definition of Matter, put ting their Opposites, excepting in that of extended

extended Substance, (for Extension must imply a Subject) and then a Spirit will become according to the Proposition, an extended, penetrable, active, indivisible, intelligent Substance. I have chosen the Word Intelligent in this, and its opposite Unintelligent in the other Definition. To wit, in that of Body, rather than that of Thinking; because Intelligence is the Source and Principle of Thinking, and expresses the whole of all the Faculties of spiritual Substances.

Corollary I.

HENCE, in Respect to their Substances only, a material Substance is an infinitely condensed or incrassated spiritual Substance: And on the other Hand, a spiritual Substance is an infinitely rarify'd or refin'd material Substance. As we have it in Holy Writ, there is a natural (or material) Body, and there is a spiritual and a glorified Body. For fince Matter and Spirit have the Foundation of their Qualities common to both, to wit, an extended Substance: Since all their other Qualities are the one, respectively the Opposite or Negative of the other. Since rarifying any Quality in Body and Spirit, is subtracting from its Intension and Energy; and therefore an infi-

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nite Rarefaction of a Quality is fubtracting it intirely; and there being no mean between Penetrability and Impenetrability, between Passivity and Activity, Divisibility and Indivisibility, Intelligence and Unintelligence, they being contrary and opposite; therefore the infinite Rarefaction of the one Quality is the Position of its contrary; for tho' the finite Subtraction of a negative Quality (admitting no mean) puts nothing, yet the infinite Subtraction of fuch a negative Quality puts the affirmative (thus - 02 x -0 = + 0. but $-\infty 0 + -0 = +0$) therefore in Matter, subtracting infinitely, all its positive Qualities, or which is the same, (by the preceding Corollary) in Matter, fubtracting infinitely the negative Qualities of Spirit, and then a material Substance will become a spiritual Substance; but since an infinite Rarefaction of a contrary Quality is the same with an infinite Subtraction of that contrary Quality, and fince the fame manner of Reasoning holds good in an infinite Condensation of the Qualities in Spirit: Therefore in Respect of their Substances only a material Substance, &c. q.e.d. The Case in short, as I conceive it, is thus: A spiritual Substance, when infinitely condenfed and incrassated, loses its Qualities of Penetrability, Activity, Indivisibility, and Intelligence. These being lock'd up, and as

it were crampt, in this Condensation of their Substratum (or the Substance in which they effentially inher'd,) thus infinitely compress'd. The Actuality (as the Metaphysicians speak) of these spiritual Qualities being thus shut up and imprison'd, tho' their Potentiality be not quite destroy'd, and thus a crass, extended, impenetrable, passive, divisible, unintelligent Substance is generated, which we call Matter; but when this Matter thus form'd of a Spiritual Substance, is again infinitely refin'd and exalted; these Powers and Qualities are unloofed, fet at freedom again, and exert themselves as formerly, and thus become what they were originally made. But we must take care not to imagine that any finite Subtilsation, Division, Refinement, or Exaltation of gross Brute-matter, can in any the least Degree, by any finite created Powers whatfoever, bring it to any but an infinitely diffant Approach to this State of Spirituality; fince it has been demonstrated, in the first Chapter of this Part, that no Finite, how great foever, can be any finite Part of any relative Infinite how small soever: No Power less than his, who out of the very Stones cou'd raise (by Virtue of their original Potentiality) Children to Abraham, can out of material, bring spiritual Substances; or on the contrary, convert these into those.

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Corollary II.

SINCE in ascending from material Subflances, there can be no fuch thing, by the Analogy of Things, and Order of Nature, as a Jump or Leap, from one extreme to another, without passing through the inter-mediate Steps; and since in material Things, there are Substances of all Degrees of Denfity and Rarity. Earth's more dense than Water, Water than Air, Air than Ether, Ether than Light. So in the spiritual World, there must be Spirits of all Degrees of Rarity; the one Set and Rank more pure and refin'd than the other in a perpetual Scale, 'till they ascend so near the supreme Infinite, as Creatures can approach their Creator, or Finites the absolute Infinite. by the same Analogy of Things, as in the material World, these several Orders of Bodies, Earth, Water, Air, Ether and Light, have their proper Places, Elements, and Centers where they rest, and whither they tend, and out of which they cannot be detain'd but by Violence; so in the spiritual World there are Centers, Spheres and Elements of several Orders of Spirits, the one more pure and refin'd than the other, (the more pure still penetrating the less pure,) where they rest and continue, to which, by

by their *specifick* Degree of Purity they are confin'd, out of which they cannot be detain'd but by *Violence*; all in a Subordination one to another, depending on their particular Degrees of Purity, penetrating one another without Confusion or Contrariety, 'till they arrive as near as possible to the *supreme Infinite*, who penetrates the whole *System* of Creatures.

Corollary III.

Since by Prop. 15. the Desires are the cardinal Faculty of intelligent Beings, infinitely active and powerful, belonging to that Principle in them, which is appropriated to the Spiritual World. By these Defires therefore, those of the same Element. and fame Degree of Purity, are enabled to communicate one with another: But fince the more pure penetrate the less pure; but not vice versa (as is plain from Corollary 1. of the preceding Proposition,) the more pure may penetrate the less pure, contrary to their Desires; but not vice versa, this Superiority of the more pure, over the less pure, being a necessary Consequence of the greater Degree of Purity and Perfection. For as in the material World, the Sun purifies and rarifies terrestrial Bodies, the nearer they approach, or are brought to him: And at last

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ch, by last converts them into his Substance. So in the spiritual World, the Sun's Pattern and Architype, the Sun of Righteousness renders those Spirits the more pure, penetrating (and as it were deisses their intimate Substances) whose Elements or Region is nearest him; by which they more nearly partake of his Nature, who penetrates the whole System of Beings.

Corollary IV.

HENCE, fince the supreme Spirit in compounded intelligent Beings is more pure (as being the highest Principle, and that Breath of Life, which they had immediately from the divine Substance) than the rational Soul; the first penetrates the latter, and the latter is but the Medium, and is it felf but of an intermediate Nature, between the two Extremes, Body and Spirit, coupling them together by its intermediate Substance: And in their primitive Order and Institution, they were in a due Subordination one to another: The Body to the rational Soul, and both to the supreme Spirit; and in this Subordination, preferv'd and maintain'd, and diligently cultivated, according to their refpective Dignity; in the Wills obeying and approving of, and in the whole compound's pursuing the practical Inferences deduced

duced in this State, did the original Rectitude of these compounded intelligent Beings consist. And in the Contrariety, Contradiction and Rebellion of these different Principles one against another, in the Will's obeying and approving of, and the whole Compound's pursuing the practical Conclusions deduced under this State of Anarchy, does the Fall, Lapse, and Degeneracy of this Set of intelligent Beings consist. And for the restoring, rectifying and re-establishing the primitive Order and State of these three Principles, to an habitual and lasting Subordination, was the Incarnation of the divine LOGOS, and whole Oeconomy of the Redemption of Man.

Corollary V.

Hence, the fupreme Spirit may be dark, dead, and almost quite obliterated, as to its ouvert Acts (the Principle it self being effential to, and interwoven with the most intimate Natures of all intelligent Beings,) when the rational Soul is full of Ideas, Pictures and Images of Things. And on the other Hand, the supreme Spirit may be full of Light, Brightness, substantial Knowledge, Joy and Peace, when the rational Soul is but weak, faint and languid, and almost void of all Ideas and Images; these being

not only separable, but at last to be actually separated. (So far at least as the Acts of the rational Soul can affect the supreme Spirit,) when the LOGOS (that eternal and essential Word of God) which is quick and powerful, and sharper than a two-edged Sword shall pierce, to the dividing asunder the Soul and Spirit.

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THUS I have endeavoured to give fome faint and imperfect Images of the highest and most fublime Speculations of Religion and its Philosophy, in the preceding Proposi-tions and Corollaries. And tho' I am very far from thinking they are even just and compleat Images, and fuch as might be draw from the fame Principles, by a more skilful Hand: Yet I am fully convinced, the Propositions and Corollaries themselves are true and just, as to their Substance, whatever may be in my Way of explaining or demonstrating them; fo far at least, as Reason can find out the Truth in such sublime Mysteries. I am also well satisfied that Reason can with any Propriety or Tuftness apply itself to Objects, to which it is not adequate and appropriated, after no other Manner, but by supposing those Objects, to which it is adequate, Images

ges or Representations of those other Objects, to which it is not adequate; there being no other possible way for Reason to find a Medium of its Knowledge of Objects. that are convey'd to the rational Understanding, by none of the bodily Senses. (as the proper Objects of its Faculties are.) And there being an absolute Necessity from the Simplicity and Uniformity of the divine Nature, and of his manner of Operating, that all his Works shou'd be Resemblances and Images one of another, (more or less perfect, according to their respective Natures) and also of himself, their original Pattern and Architype. This manner of Reasoning, and this Medium of rational Knowledge, duly instituted, must be just and true, as far as it reaches. And thus far Reason can go, and not one step further in the Knowledge of superior Objects; it can frame and form Images of these superior Objects, from what it finds and certainly knows of the material World, to which it is in some measure adequate. Images I say, not metaphorical only but real and physical, as a Statue represents a Man, a Picture in Miniature, one from the Life, as a Seed (which is really the Plant it felf in little) does a grown Plant, or an Embryo, the adult Animal: This is the Boundary of Reason in these superior Objects. And it is very obfer-

observable, that there are various Images in Nature, and in the intellectual Species of Things (fram'd upon what the Senses have already convey'd into the rational Understanding) of all the most unconceivable, the most abstruse and sublime Mysteries of Religion and its Philosophy; each superior to another. Can there be a more perfect, noble, or lively Image in this lower World, of the divine Nature, Light, Benignity, Greatness, and Power required, than that of the Sun, in respect of our planetary Syftem. His Beams shine, and are transmitted through all the planetary and cometary Regions, even into the Systems of the fix'd Stars. He attracts all the Planets and Comets in our System, and is the Source of all their regular, uniform, and constant Motions and Influences. He warms, cheers, enlivens, and fertilifes all the Elements, Vegetables, and Animals; and is indeed the material Deity of this inferior World. Is there not a plain and obvious Image of the EVER-BLESSED-TRINITY INUNITY, in every Order of Creatures? In the three Dimensions of Bodies? In Nature's never rifing above the third Dimension in her regular Operations, as was shown in Scholium Prop. 12? In the three infinite Powers of universal Space? In the three generical Divisions of Objects? Matter, created Spirit,

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Spirit, and the supreme Infinite in the three Distinctions and universal Principles that comprehend the whole of material intelligent Beings? The Faculty, Object, and the Congruity or Incongruity between these? The Profane and Ignorant may make a jest of this ternary Chain, and ascribe it to Chance or Fortune. But the Analogy of things, and he regular Uniformity in Nature, make it evident to a Demonstration, that it must have ad its Rife in its original Pattern and Archiype, the divine Nature. Even the eternal Generation of the second Principle in the sodhead, of the first, and the eternal Proession of the third Principle from the first nd second, comes evidently out of this anlogical Ternary, when elevated to its Oriin in the divine Nature; as was shewn in cholium 2. Prop. 17. And the Impossibility f increasing or multiplying the divine and preme Infinitude, even by it felf, fo far as hat it is uncapable of Increase, or Diminuon; as was shewn in Corollary 2. Prop. 12. ctures forth the Unity of the divine Naire, in these three Relations of the whole to e whole. How noble a Representation in reated Things, is the universal Space of ne divine Ubiquity, Infinitude, and spirival Nature? How lively a Picture in the inllectual Species of things, of Creation, or Gods producing the things that be, out of PART II. the

the things that were not, is that Proposition demonstrated Corol. _ 1+1+1+1+1+186 2. Prop. 2. $x_0 = \infty \ x_0 = 1. \text{ or } 0 + 0 + 0 + 0 + 0 \text{ & c.} x$ $o = \infty \odot \times o = o$? The Production of a Plant from its Miniature in the Seed; and of an Animal from an Animalcule, is an aftonishing Representation of the Refurrection of the Body. These and many fuch Refemblances, and Images in Nature, in the fensible and visible things, and in the intellectual Species of things, derived through the Senses; might be brought to illustrate and confirm the greatest Difficulties and most abstruse Mysteries of Religion, and its Philosophy. So certain and univerfal is the beautiful Analogy of Things, and so careful has the kind and bountiful Author of our Beings been, to supply us with Evidences in our lower Faculties, and lapfed Estate, of those Truths he requires us to believe and receive. The full and compleat Conception and Knowledge of which belong not but to our superior Faculties, and to our restored and re-established Estate. May we then use the Assistances, Reason, and the di vine Bounty, has afforded us, (I may a most fay, even beyond and out of their ma tural Order) for increasing our Faith, cultivating and expanding our fuperior Faculties, releuing us out of our Degeneracy and Corrup

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Corruption, into the glorious Liberty of the Sons and Children of God, and then, in his Light we shall see Light, Amen.

CHAP. III.

Of the USE of the Arithmetick for Infinites.

§ I. In arithmetical Progression; in which let a denote the first, v the last term, x. the Difference, t the Number of Terms, and z the Sum of all the Terms, which in an ascending Progression are a, a + x, a + 2x, a + 3x, &c. but in a descending Progression a, a - x, a - 2x, a - 3x, &c.

Having any three of these five a, v, x, t, z. you may find the other two by help of

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Lem. 1.2 v=a+t x-x Sbut v=a-tx+x. Lem. 2.5 $2z=t\times a+x$ When it descends.

I shall here only treat of ascending Progressions, judging those that descend as not properly belonging to the Arithmetick of Infinites.

Now in afcending Progressions both t and

vare infinite.

Therefore Corol. 1. $5v = t \times 7$ in the Case of And Corol. 2. $2z = t \times 7$ Infinites.

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$$+ \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{x} & \&c.$$

Prop, $z = \frac{1}{2}$. This follows from fubstitu-

ting the Value of t, viz. - in Corol. 2.

Examp. 1. Let x = 1, then 1 + 2 + 3 + 4

+5 &c. = $z = \frac{1}{2}$, that is, the Sum of all

the natural Numbers continued in infinitum is equal to half the Square of Infinite: And here it is to be noted, that in this Case only $t=v=\infty \times 1=1+1+1+1+1$ &c.

Examp. 2. Let $x = \frac{1}{2}$, then $1 + 1 = \frac{1}{2} + 2 + 2 = \frac{1}{2} + 3 + 3 = \frac{1}{2}$ &c. $-z = \infty^2 =$ to the Square of Infinite.

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And thus may you find the Ratio between the Sum of any ascending arithmetical Progression, and the Square of Infinite; and note that by infinite, is always understood Infinite in General, or Infinite of the simplest Nature and lowest Degree, 1+1+1+1, &c. unless it be otherwise expressly declared.

Corol. $\infty + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2 \kappa}}$ is the Root of a Square,

which Square is equal to the Sum of any arithmetical Progression ascending in infinitum.

Examp. Let $= x_2$, then $\infty \times \frac{1}{2}$ (or an infinite number of $\frac{1}{2}$) is the Root of a Square equal to the Sum of that Progression, viz. $1 + 3 + 5 + 7 & c. = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} & c.$

Corol. 2. Let $a=\infty$ n, $v=\infty$ m. $t=\infty$ p. These values of a, v, t, being substituted in Lem. 2. will give you $2z=\infty$ $p\times\infty$ $n+\infty$ m

 $=\infty^2 \times pn + pm$, or $z = \frac{\infty^2 \times pm + pn}{m}$, and

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the common Difference $x = \frac{1}{p}$, as you may

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You may express the Sum z otherwise, for

 $t = \frac{v-a}{x}$ by Lem. 1. Therefore $\frac{v-a}{x}$

 v^2-a^2

v+4=2zby Lemma 2d that is z=

 $\underline{-\infty^2 m^2 - \infty^2 nn} = \underline{\infty^2 \times mm - nn},$

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Corol. 3. From Prop. 1. and Corol. 2. it is evident that in two arithmetical Progressions having the same common Difference x, the Sum of that whose Terms are infinite, is to the Sum of that, whose Terms are finite, as $m^2 - n^2$ to 1. For the Sum of the first, by Corol. 2. is $\infty^2 \times m^2 - n^2$

 $\frac{1}{2 x}$, x the Sum of the other, by Prop. 1.

is ∞ 2 X ½ x.

Corol. 4. From hence may be folved this Problem. Any arithmetical Progression being given as a, a+x, a+2x, a+3x, &c. whose terms are finite; to find another confisting of infinite Terms, that shall have the same Difference x, and whose Sum shall be equal to the Sum of the given Progression. Solution. m'-m'=1 from Corol. 3. & ex hypothesis. Therefore m'=1+n'; so to find m and n, is an indetermin'd Problem, whose Solution

by the known Methods $m = \text{will give you} \frac{e^{-1}}{e^{1}-1}$

$$n = \frac{2\ell}{\ell^2 - 1},$$

where e is any Number ($\triangle 1$) taken at Pleasure. So then these Values of m and n being substituted in the Values of a and v, of Corol. 2. will give you the first Term $a = \infty \times \frac{2e}{e^2-1}$, and the last $v = \infty \times \frac{e^2+1}{e^2-1}$ and calling the common Difference x, you will

will have a Progression, each of whose Terms is infinite, and whose Sum shall be equal to the Sum of any other arithmetical Progression, whose first Term is finite, and the common Difference α ; and because e is an arbitrary Number, therefore you have as many of such Progressions as you please, to answer the *Problem*.

Examp. Let the given Progression be 1+2+3+4+5 &c. where x = 1, so the Sum thereof is $=\infty$ ' $\times \frac{1}{2}$ (as in Ex. 1. Prop. 1) now

taking e=2, you will have $n=\frac{4}{e^2-1}$ &c.

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_= 1, which from the fecond Expression

of Corol. 2. will give the Sum of the Series

 $(\infty \times \frac{4}{3}, 1 + \infty \frac{4}{3}, 2 + \infty \frac{4}{3}, 3 + \infty \frac{4}{3}, 5c)$ $m^2 - n^2$

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the same with that of the given Progression

confifting of finite Terms.

Schol. The Problem may be made more general, and the Solution as easy, if it were required, that the Sum of the Series, consisting of infinite Terms, should be to that of the other consisting of finite Terms in any given Ratio of r^2 to s^2 , for then it must be to find m and n, such that $m^2 - n^2$, $1: r^2: s^2$.

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Prop. 2. Let all Things be as in Prop. 1. except the last Term, which here we shall suppose v=

 ∞n , in which Case I say $\left\{z=\infty^2 \times \frac{n}{2} \times \frac{n}{2}\right\}$

Examp. 1. Let n=2, x=1; a=1, fo the Progression will be 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, &c. till the last Term be ∞ 2, I say the Sum 1+2+3+4+5, &c. $=z=\infty$ 2 \times 2 = double the Square of Infinite.

§. II. In geometrical Progression, let a denote the first, and v the last Term, the Ratio of the Terms, that of r to s, t the Number, and z the Sum of all the Terms of any geometrical Progression, which will be a, s a s² a s³ a s⁴ a

r, r2, r3, r4,

Of these five Things, viz. the first Term a, the last Term v, the Ratio of the Terms —, the number t, and the Sum of the Terms z, hav-

ing any three, you may find the other two by these two Lemma's.

Lem. 1.
$$v = \frac{\overline{s}|^{t-1}}{r|^{t-1}} \times a$$

$$Lem. 2. sz + ra = rz + w$$

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From Lemma 2d. it follows that z=

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when the Progression ascends, that is, when r
subset s.

But when the Progression descends, that is, when r > s, then from Lemma II. it will

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be z = ____

Case 1. In descending Progressions where the Number of Terms are infinite, the last Term v will be = 0.

Prop. 1. In all descending Progressions, whose Number of Terms are infinite, and first Term finite, the Sum of the Progression is a

finite quantity, viz. $z = \frac{r a}{r-s}$

Corol. 1. Let a=r, then $z=\frac{r^2}{r-s}$

Examp. Let r=1, $s=\frac{1}{2}$, then $1+\frac{1}{2}+\frac{1}{4$

 $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{16} &c. = 2 = - = z$

Prob. Having the first Term a, and the

Ratio of the Terms \bar{s} of any geometrical Progression descending in infinitum, till v = 0 to find another Progression descending in infinitum, whose first Term shall be any given number

ber b, and its Sum equal to the Sum of the given Progression.

Sol. Let m to n be the Ratio of the Terms

of the Progression sought; now ___ is the

Sum of the given Progression, by Prop. 1. and

for the fame reason — must be the Sum of the m-n

Progression sought, therefore from the Condimb ra

tion of the Problem fought $\frac{}{m-n} = \frac{}{r-s}$

which gives $n = \frac{(m \times ra - rb + sb)}{n}$, where a, r, s, b

are given, and m may be taken at Pleasure; and fo you have n from this Equation; and consequently the Progression sought is found; for a Progression is found, when you have the first Term b, and the Ratio of the Terms m to n.

Example. Let r = 1, $s = \frac{1}{2}$, a = 1; $b = \frac{2}{3}$, I affume $m = \frac{2}{3} (=b)$ for the Equation will give $n = \frac{4}{9}$, therefore $1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{3}$ &c. $= \frac{2}{3} + \frac{4}{9} + \frac{8}{27}$ &c.

And here it is to be noted that fince m is taken at Pleasure, the Problem is indetermined, and so you may find as many Progressions as you please, whose Sum shall be equal to the Sum of any given Progression.

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Case II. In ascending Progressions, whose number of Terms are infinite, the last Term v will be $=\infty \times e$; but first I shall consider these Progressions in which e=1, that is, where the last Term is an infinite Number of Units.

Prop. 2. $z = \infty \times \frac{s}{s-r} \left(= \frac{sv}{s-r} \right)$ for r = a

vanishes, because a is infinite, and v infinite.

But here it is carefully to be observed, that in all these Progressions it is necessary to make z=r, so that r will be the first and s the second Term of the Progression; and indeed in all geometrical Progressions, there is a Convenience of expressing the Ratio of the Terms by the two first Terms of the Progression.

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This being premifed, it is evident that — is s-r the infinitely small and equal part, of which an infinite Number gives the Sum of any geometrical Progression ascending in infinitum.

Examp. 1. Let r=1, s=3, then — = s-rwhich shews $z=\infty$ $\times \frac{3}{2}$, that is 1+3+9+1

Examp. 2. Let r=1, $s=\frac{3}{2}$, so $\frac{s}{s-r}=3$,

 $27 + 81 \, \&c. = 3 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \, \&c.$

Ergo $z = \infty \times 3$, that is, $1 + \frac{27}{4} + \frac{27}{8} + \frac{8}{16}$ c. = 3 + 3 + 3 + 3 c.

Problem. To find a Progression, which shall have any given Number (a) for the equal Part of which its Sum consists. Solution. Let r be the first, and s the second Term of the Pro-

gression sought, then (because $\frac{1}{s-r}$ is the e-

qual Part for every Progression) $\frac{s}{s-r} = a$ which gives $s = \frac{s}{s-r}$

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that the Sum of a Progression, whose first Term is 1, and fecond Term is $2 = \infty 2$, or 1+2+4+8 &c. =2+2+2+2 &c.

Scholium. Because r is taken at Pleasure. therefore you may find as many Progressions as you pleafe, whose Sums shall be all equal,

because each of them is $= \infty \times a$.

Prob. 2. Having any Progression ascending, to find another whose Sum shall be equal to the Sum of the given one. Let r be the first, s the second Term of the given Progresfion; and m the first, n the second Term of

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Schol. So may you find a Progression, whose Sum shall be to the Sum of the given one, in

any given Ratio b to k, for then :-:

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b:k: fo that $n=\frac{n}{n}$

§. III. Before I proceed to other Progressions it will be necessary to subjoin some Things, which were omitted in § I. concerning arithmetical Progression, and which should have immediately preceded § 2.

Lemma. $z = \infty^2 \times \frac{1}{2\pi}$, when $v = \infty \times 1$. by

Prop. 1. of \$ 1.

Prob. Having the common Difference x, and the last Term $v = \infty \times 1$ of any arithmetical Progression ascending in *infinitum*; to find another arithmetical Progression, whose Sumshall be equal to the Sum of the given one.

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Let e be the common Difference, $\infty \times n$ the last, and y the Sum of all the Terms of the

Progression sought; then $y = \infty^2 x - \frac{\pi}{2}$: by

Prop. 2. of § 1. Now because $z = \infty^2 \times -is$ the

Sum of the given Progression, therefore from

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nn; you may take n at Pleasure, and so you have e and consequently the Progression sought.

Examp. 1. Let the given Progression be 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, &c. to $\infty + 1$, where x = 1, so e = n, calling n = 2, you have e = 4 for the common Difference of the Progression sought, viz, 1, 5, 9, 13, &c to $\infty \times 2$. I say then that the Sums of these two Progressions are equal.

Corol. $n = \frac{e}{\sqrt{x}}$ fo taking e at pleasure you

have n, as in the former Example, if you call e, 2, then $n=\sqrt{2}$, fo the Progression sought is, 1, 3, 5, 7, &c. to $\infty \times \sqrt{2}$, whose Sum shall be equal to 1+2+3+5+6 &c. to $\infty \times 1$. So that in solving this Problem, you may either make the common Difference, or the infinitely small Part (n) of the last Term, what you please; and because one of the two may be taken at Pleasure, therefore the Problem is indetermined, and consequently you may find as many Progressions as you please, whose Sums shall each of them be equal to the Sum of the given Progression.

Scholium. in the same Manner you may find as many Progressions as you please, the Sum of each of which shall be to the Sum of the given one in any given Ratio of k to h; for then

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 $\frac{1}{2x}$: k:b, which gives $ke = b \times n^2$; so that of these two (e,n) taking one at Pleasure, you have the other from this Equation.

Problem. 2. Having the Sum $\infty^2 \times q$ of any Progression, to find another that shall have a given common Difference e, and whose Sum shall be equal to the given Sum. Let $\infty \times n$ be the last Term of the Progression sought, then

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√ 2 e q: but, e and q are given, therefore n is known.

Examp. Let q=1, it is requir'd to find a Progression whose Difference shall be 1, and its Sum $=\infty^2 \times 1$ or the Square of infinite; now because q=1, and e=1, therefore $n=\sqrt{2}$, so that $\infty \times \sqrt{2}$ shall be the last Term of a Progression 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, &c. whose Sum shall be $=\infty^2$; but by Examp. 2d. of Prop 1. of § 1. if $x=\frac{1}{2}$, and $v \infty$, then the Sum $z=\infty^2$, Ergo 1+2+3+4+5 &c. to $\infty \times \sqrt{2}=1+1\frac{1}{2}+2+2\frac{1}{2}$ &c. to $\infty \times 1$.

Examp. 2. Let $q=\frac{1}{2}$, and e=2, then $n=\sqrt{2}$, fo that a Progression whose common Difference

ference is 2, and last Term $\infty \times \sqrt{2}$ shall have its Sum $= \infty^2 \times \frac{1}{2} = (by ex. 1. pr. 1.) 1+2+3+4+5 &c$ to ∞ .

Let us now consider the various Progressions that will arise out of this Series, and what relation they have to infinite in general or $\infty \times I$, and that I may proceed distinctly, I will resolve it into several Cases, beginning at the simplest, where r=1, and so proceed gradually to r=2, r=3, &c. And where the Series is neither in an arithmetical nor yet in a geometrical Progression, I shall endeavour to discover according to what increase the Progression goes on; tho' in general that is plain enough from the Lemma of \S .

CASE 1. Let r=1, which contains an infinite Number of other Cases, according to the different Values of e, the Progression whereof I shall show in the following Articles.

Artic. 1.
$$(e=1.)$$
 \xrightarrow{I} =1+1+1+1 &c.
= $\infty \times 1$. Part II. L Artic.

Artic. 2. (e=2) == 2 = 1 + 2 + 3 +1-1-1 4, &c. = 02 Artic. 3. (e=3)==3=1+3+6+2-11 10 &c. = 03 Artic. 4. (e = 4) = = 4 = 1 + 4 + 10

+ 20 &c. = 004

Now you are to observe that the Termsof any one of these Progressions are made up of the Sum of the Terms of the Progression next preceeding; for Instance, the third Term of the Progression & 'viz.6, is the Sum of the three first Terms of the Progress=∞2; in like Manner the fourth Term (20) of Progression in Article fourth is the Sum of the four first Terms in the Progression of Art. ad. and the 7th Term of Art. 3d. is the Sum of the feven first Terms in Art. 2d. It is to be observed likewise, that the Terms of Art. 3d. are triangular Numbers, fince they are the Sums of the natural Numbers of Art. 2d. and consequently the Sum of the triangular Progression continued in infinitum, is equal to the Cube of Infinite. Case 2d. r=2.

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Art. 1.
$$e = 1$$
, then $\frac{1}{1-2} = 1 + 2 + 4$
+ 8, &c. = $\infty \times 2$.

Art. 2.
$$e=2$$
, then $\frac{1}{1-2|}2=1+4+12+32$, $\&c. = \infty^3 \times 4$.

Art. 3.
$$e=3$$
, then $\frac{1}{1-2|}3=1+6+24$
+80, $\&c. = \infty^3 \times 8$.

Art. 4.
$$e=4$$
, then $\frac{1}{1-2}|4=1+8+40$
+ 160, &c. = ∞ 4 × 16.

Note, That the Terms of Art. 1st. are in a geometrical Progression in the Ratio of 1 to 2.

And it is observable, that the Terms of any following Article are made by the Multiplication of the Terms of Art. 1st. into the respective Terms of that Article in Case 1. where e has the same Value. For Instance, the third Term of Article 2 is the Product of the third Term of Artic. 1. into the third Term of Artic. 2, of Case 1. and the fourth Term (viz. 160) is the Product of the fourth Term (viz. 8.) of Artic. 2. into the 4th Term (viz. 20) of Artic. 4th. Case 1st. And universally, let A denote any Term in any Artic. of Case 1. B any Term in Artic. 1st of Case 2d. And C any Term in any of the following Articles of Cafe L 2

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Case 2d. I say C=AB, taking ABC in the same Order i. e. if C be the 5th Term, then A and B must also be the 5th Terms of their Progressions, and whatever Value (e) has in the Progression of which C is the Term, it must have the same in that Progression where A is the Term. Examp. To find the 7th Term of Artic. 3. of Case 2. Here C denotes the 7th Term of a Progression in which C is the Term of C denotes the 7th Term of a Progression in which C is the 7th Term of C denotes the 7th Term of a Progression in which C is the 7th Term of C denotes the 7th Term of C denotes the 7th Term of C denotes the 7th Term C denot

Case 3d. r=3

Art. 1.
$$e=1$$
, then $\frac{1}{1-3} = 1+3+9+27$

 $\mathfrak{G}_{\mathfrak{C}} = \infty \times \frac{3}{4}$.

Art. 2.
$$e=2$$
, then $\frac{1}{1-3}$ | $2=1+6+27$ + 108, $\&c. = \infty^2 \times \frac{9}{4}$.

Art. 3.
$$e=3$$
, then $\frac{1}{1-3}|3=1+9+54+$
270, $\&c. = \infty^3 \times ^{27}$.

Art. 4:
$$e=4$$
, then $\frac{1}{1-3}$ $|4=1+12+90$
+ 540, &c. $= \infty^4 \times \frac{81}{16}$.

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Note, the first Series is a geometrical Progression going on in the Ratio of 1 to 3. And the

the following Progressions are made out of this first, with the respective ones of those in Case ist in all Respects, as those of Case 24 already explain'd: For let A be any Term in any Artic. of Case 1. B a Term of the same Order (with A) in Artic. 1. Cafe 3. and C a Term of the fame Order in any of the Articles of Cafe 3d. I fay C=AB, where e has the same Value in A that it has in C. And fo it is for all the fucceeding Cafes in infinitum: The first Series of any Case, r (viz. where e=1) is always a geometrical Progression in the Ratio of 1 to r; the following Progressions are made by the Multiplication of the Terms of this first Series into the respective Terms of those in Cafe 1. as has been shewn in Case 1 and 2d.

Scholium. To have the first Progression of

every Case, let
$$e=1$$
, then $\frac{1}{1-r}=1+r+r+1+r^3+r^4+r^5$ &c.

But
$$1+r+r^2+r^3+r^4$$
 &c. $=\infty \times \frac{r}{r-1} = \frac{r}{r-1} + \frac{r}{r-1} + \frac{r}{r-1} + \frac{r}{r-1}$ &c.

Before I conclude this Subject, it will be necessary to remove a very obvious and material Objection, viz. how it comes to pass that the Sum of the natural Numbers 1 + 2

+3+4+5, &c. should be equal to $\frac{\infty}{2}$ half the Square of Infinite, as it appears by Ex. 1. of Prop. 1. of § 1. And yet the fame Sum is $= \infty$ or the whole Square of Infinite, as appears by Art. 2d. of Case 1. of the last Lemma. This seeming Contradiction may be reconciled, if we suppose ∞ x 1 to be the last Term in the Progression of Ex. 1. Prop. 1. § 1. which will make the Sum o ; and ∞ X √2 to be the last Term in the Progression of Art. 2d. of Case 1. of the last Lemma; for that will make the Sum of the Progression $= \infty^2$, as appears by Ex. I.of Prob. 2. § 3. So that tho' it be the same Progression going on in infinitum, yet the one goes on to a greater Infinite, viz. ox √2 than the other which ends at ∞ X 1.

But the plain way of reconciling the Matter depends on the common Rules of Multiplica-

tion.
$$1+2+3+4+5$$
 &c. $=\frac{1}{1-1}^2 = \frac{1}{1-1}$
 $\times \frac{1}{1-1}$, but $\frac{1}{1-1} = 1+1+1+1$ &c. and therefore $1+2+3+4+5$ &c. $= 1+1+1$ $+1$ &c. $\times 1+1+1+1+1$ &c.

LET us now make an actual Multiplicati-

on of fix Terms only, thus

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FROM the Process it is evident, that adding the feveral Columns, their Sums make 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. which is the greatest, viz. B C (from which they descend in the same Order to D) and this BC is always the Number of Units in each Factor; fo that if the Number of Units, multiplied into it felf, had been room. then BC the last Term of the Progression ascending from A would have been 1000; and confequently if the Number of Units, multiplied into it felf, had been on X 1, then BC the last Term of the Progression would have been $\infty \times 1$. Now the Progression descends from BC to D in the same Order as it ascends from A to BC; but ABC is the Sum of the Progression 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, &c. ending at $BC = \infty \times I$; and this Sum ABCis but half the Product (of which BCD) is the other) that is to fay, half the Square of Infinite: Thus you fee that the Process

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of Art. 2. of Case 1. agrees exactly with that of Prop. 1. of § 1. only that of Art. 2. Case 1. gives you the Progression twice over, and so makes it double of what it is in Ex. 1. Prop. 1. § 1.

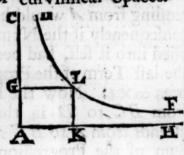
Schol. From this Solution it appears that the Sum of the Progression in Art. 3. Case 1. viz. 1+2+3+6+10+21, &c. is not precisely ∞^3 or the Cube of Infinite for $\frac{1}{1-1}$ X

$$\frac{1}{1-1} \times \frac{1}{1-1} = 1+1+1+1 &c. \times 1+1+$$

1+1 &c. $\times 1+1+1+1$ &c. contains that Progression oftner than once; and the same is to be considered in all the Progressions, except when e=1.

& VI. The Arithmetick of Infinites applied to Quadratures of curvilinear Spaces.

ny of the Hyperbola's, whose Asymptots are AC, AH, let AK = x, KL = y, and the Equation comprehending all the Hyperbola's y x'' = 1.



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$$CAKLD = \frac{1}{1-n} \times x^{1-n}$$
 And also $HAGLF = \frac{n}{n-1} \times x^{2-n}$

Corol. 1. Let x = 1, then $CAKLD = \frac{1}{1-n}$,

and $HAGLF = \frac{n}{n-1}$

Case 1. Let. n=1, so the Equation will be you = 1 for the common Hyperbola, in which CAKLD.

$$=\frac{1}{1-1}=1+1+1, &c. = \infty \times 1.$$

And likewise $HAGLF = \frac{1}{1-1} = 1 + \frac{1}{1-1}$

t+1+1, $&c. = \infty \times 1$. From whence t appears, that the Area of the Apollonian Hyperbola is infinite both ways.

Case. 2. Let n-2; so $y x^2 = 1$ defines the next

Hyperbola in which $CAKLD = \frac{1}{1-2} = 1 + \frac{1}{1-2}$

 $+4+8+16, &c.=\infty \times 2.$

Case general. If you resolve $\frac{1}{1-n}$ into a Series,

you will have $CAKLD = \frac{1}{1-n} = 1 + n \times n^2$

 $+n^3+n^4+n^5$, &c. and because the Terms of his Series are in a geometrical Progression ascending (supposing n < 1) in the Ratio of 1 to n, there-

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n, therefore by Prop. 2. §. 2. the Sum thereof must be $1 + n + n^2 + n^3 + n^4 + n^5$, &c. $= \infty \times \frac{n}{n-1}$

Now because n < 1, therefore $\frac{n}{n-1}$ is < 1; therefore in all these Hyperbola's (in which n < 1) the Area CAKLD will be an infinite Number of equal Parts, each of which (viz.

) is greater than 1. And hence is underflood the meaning of the Geometers, who call these Spaces greater than infinite, that is, greater than $\infty \times 1$ or infinite in general.

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Corol. 2. In all the Hyperbola's (except the Apollonian) the infinite Area CAKLD (adjacent to the Asymptote AC) is equal to an infinite Number of the finite Area HAGLF) adjacent to the Afymptote AH) in the fame Hyperbola.

Demonstration. $CAKLD = \infty \times \frac{n}{n-1}$ by the

general Case, but $HAGLF = \frac{n}{n-1}$ by Corol. 1. 66. Therefore

 $\{CAKLD = \infty \times HAGLF\} \ Q. E. D.$

Problem. Let $\infty \times e$ be the infinite Area CAKLD of any given Hyperbola, it is required to find another Hyperbola, whose infinite Space

Space shall be to the Space $(\infty \times e)$ of the given Hyperbola in any given Ratio, as of p to 1. Sol. Let $y x^n = 1$. be the Equation of the Hyperbola sought, then by the general Case foregoing

its Area is $= \infty \times \frac{n}{n-1}$; therefore by the Con-

dition of the Problem, $\frac{n}{n-1}$. e:: p. 1; which

will give $n = \frac{pe}{pe-1}$; fo that $y = \frac{pe}{pe-1} = 1$

is the Equation to the Hyperbola fought; but p and e are given Numbers, and therefore this is a known Equation, and confequently the Hyperbola defined by it is also known

Examp. To find an Hyperbola whose Area shall be to that of the Apollonian, as 3 to 1. Now the Apollonian is $= \infty \times 1$, so e=1, and p=3, Ergo the Equation is $y \times \frac{1}{2} = 1$, whose Area by the general Case foregoing is $= \infty \times 3$, which is triple of the Apollonian.

Prob. 2 To find an Hyperbola, whose interminated Space HKLF shall be equal to any given Number (a) let $y x^n = 1$ define the Hyperbola sought, where n < 1, then HAGLF = 1

 $\frac{n}{n-1}$ putting y=1 (=GL=GA.) by Corol. of § 6. and because AGLK=1, therefore it will be HAGLF-AGLK (=HKLE)=

 $\frac{n}{n-1}$ - 1. Therefore by the Condition of the

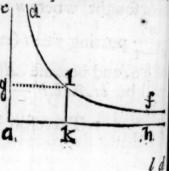
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Problem $\frac{n}{n-1}$ — 1=a. which gives $n = \frac{a+1}{a}$ fo the Equation to the Hyperbola fought is

Let (as before) AC, CAHbe the Afymptotes
of any Hyperbola DLFdefined by this Equation yx'=1, in which Gthe Abscissa AK=x,
and Ordinate KL=y, A

and n is suppos'd either equal to, or greater than Unity. 1° It appears that in all Hyperbola's the interminate Space CAKLD is infinite, and the interminate Space HAGLF (except in the Apollonian where n = 1) is finite. 2°. In every Hyperbola, one part of it continually approaches nearer and nearer to the Asymptote AC, and the other part continually nearer to the other Asymptote AH; that is, LD meets with AC at a Point infinitely distant from A, and LF meets with AH at a Point infinitely distant from A.

3°. In two different c Hyperbola's DLF, dlf, if we suppose n to be greater in the Equation of dlf than it is in gthe Equation of DLF, then LD shall meet a, sooner with AC than



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Id with ac, but Lf shall be longer in meeting with AH than lf with ab. Therefore since these Meetings are at infinite Distance from A and a, it follows necessarily that these infinite Distances must be one greater than another, viz. ac < AC, and ab > AH; and in the same Hyperbola AC < AH and ac < ab, except the Apollonian in which AC < AH.

Therefore it must needs contribute very much to the right understanding the Scope of the foregoing Quadratures of these interminate hyperbolick Spaces, if we can determine the Length between the Centre A or a and the Point of Concourse of either Part of the Hyperbola, with that Asymptote to which it approaches.

Problem 2. To find the Point Cwhere LD meets with the Afymptote AC, and the Point H where LF meets with the Afymptote A, for any Hyperbola DLF, whose Equation $y \times n = 1$ is given.

Solution. It is evident that the Ordinates LK

$$(=y=\frac{1}{x^n})$$
 increase as the Abscissa's $AK(=$

x) decrease, so the last Ordinate must co-incide with the Asymptote AC, in which Case the Abscissa x = 0 = 1 - 1. Therefore AC = 1 - 1.

$$\frac{1}{1-1} = \frac{1}{x^n} \mathcal{Q}. E. I.$$

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Examp. 1. To find AC in the common Hy-

perbola $y = \frac{1}{x}$. Because in this n = 1, therefore

 $AC = \frac{1}{1-1} = (by Art.1.of 5) 1+1+1+1,$

&c. =∞ X 1.

Examp. 2. To find AC in the Hyperbola whose Equation is $y = \frac{1}{x^2}$. Because in this z = 2, therefore from the general Solution $AC = \frac{1}{x^2}$ and z = 1+2+3+4+5+6, &c. =

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 $\frac{\infty^2}{2}$; That is, AC is an infinite Number of equal Parts, each of which is $\infty^{\frac{1}{2}}$: So that A C in this is an infinite Number of equal Parts, each of which is $\frac{1}{2}$ AC in the common Hy.

perbola.

Schol. If we could give the precise Sum of the Series in Art. 3, 4, &c. of Case 1. of 5, 5, we should then have AC for all the other Hyperbola's; but that is not easily to be done, as is declared in the Scholium at the End of 5. Only this much we see (by Case 4. of 5.) That AC increases as the Powers of ∞ whose Exponents are n. So in the Hyperbola $y = \frac{1}{x}$, AC is as ∞ ; in the Hyperbola $y = \frac{1}{x}$

 $\frac{1}{x^2}$, AC is as ∞^2 in the Hyperbola $y = \frac{1}{x^3}$, AC is ∞^3 ; and so on. Part. Part. 2d. To find AH when LF meets with its Afymptote AH. Here we must consider GL (=x) as the Ordinate, and AG (=y) as the Abscissa. Now when GL becomes AH, then y=0. But universally GL (=x) $= \frac{1}{y \cdot \frac{1}{2}} \text{ therefore } AH = \frac{1}{0 \cdot \frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{1-1 \cdot \frac{1}{2}};$ put $\frac{1}{n} = e$, and then by Lem. of 5. $AH = \frac{1}{1-1} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot$

But fince we cannot affign the Sum of these Progressions, therefore this Series is of no Use in the Solution of the Problem. We shall therefore consider the Problem (as to the finding AH) under two Cases, first when n is an Integer, and secondly when it is a Fraction.

Case 1. When n is an Integer. So if n=1 (as in the common Hyperbola) then AH ($=\frac{1}{1-1}$ = 1+1+1, Sc. $= \infty \times 1 = AC$. If n=2, then AH ($=\frac{1}{1-1}$ = 1+1+1) is a mean proportional between 1 and infinite. If n=3, then AH ($=\frac{1}{1-1}$ = 1+1+1+1) is n=3, then n=3 the

√∞ x I is the first of two mean Proportionals between I and Infinite. And universally if between I and Infinite there be supposed as many mean Proportionals as there are Units in n-I.

then
$$AH \left(= \frac{1}{1-1} \frac{1}{n} = \sqrt[n]{\frac{1}{1-1}} = \sqrt[n]{\infty \times 1} \right)$$

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Case 2d. When n is a Fraction, suppose $n = \frac{p}{q}$, but p < q, because we always suppose n < 1 except in the Apollonian where n = 1. So then

$$\frac{1}{n} = \frac{q}{p}, \text{therefore } AH = \frac{1}{1-1} \Big|_{\frac{p}{q}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{1-1q}} = \frac{q}{\sqrt{1-1q}}$$

$$\frac{1}{\infty \times 1} | \frac{q}{p} = \sqrt{\infty \times 1} | q. \text{ So for } Ex. \text{ if } n = \frac{1}{2}, \text{ viz.}$$

$$p = 3, q = 2, \text{ then } AH = \sqrt{\frac{3}{\infty \times 1}} | \frac{2}{\infty \times 1} |$$

Corol. From both these Cases it is evident, that the greater Number we suppose n to be, so much the sooner will LF meet with AH: for the greater we suppose n to be, so much the less will $\frac{1}{n}$ or $(\frac{q}{p})$ be; but $\frac{1}{n}$ (or $\frac{q}{p}$) is the Exponent of $\frac{1}{1-1}$ (or ∞) which gives the Value of AH. Ergo the greater that n is, the shorter will AH be. 9. E. D.

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Schol. Since in all Hyperbola's AH-1 1

 $= \frac{1}{\prod_{i=1}^{q} q^i} = \sqrt{1-1} |q| = \sqrt{\infty \times 1} |q| \text{ is fome}$

mean Proportional between 1 and $\infty \times 1$, it is worth the while to confider what fort of Numbers these means are, viz. whether they be sinite, infinite, or neither. It is certain they cannot be finite, for then it would follow that the square of a finite Number should be infinite which is absurd. Nor can they be properly steemed infinite, for the equal part of such an Infinite must be 1 divided by such a mean. Demon. Let a denote that equal part, then

Demon. Let a denote that equal part, then $x = \sqrt[p]{\infty}$, which give $a = \sqrt[p]{\infty}$

 $X = \sqrt{\omega_1}$, which give $x = \sqrt{2\omega_1}$ $\sqrt{2\omega_2}$. $E.D.(Ex.gra.)\sqrt{2\omega_2}$ for a mean between

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there are Progressions of Numbers whose Sums are neither finite nor infinite, but between both, $Ex. gra. \sqrt{\infty} \times I$ where $p=2, q=1, \text{ fo } \sqrt{\infty} \times I$

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I have hitherto confidered only these Casesin which n = or or; let us now fee what would be the Refult if we suppose n = 0. It is eviden then that the general Equation, viz yar = 10 all Hyperbola's would in this Case beiy=1,6 that the Hyperbola's will in this Cafe degene rate into a strait Line DLF, parallel to AH. But confidering it as the simplest Hyperbola, let us confider at what distance it will meet with its H

Asymptotes. Now universally AC = =the Sol of part. 1. of Prob. 3.) when x =0, but n=0 by Supposition: Ergo, be x what it will xo=1, Ergo, AC=1, 2°. From the Solution of part 2. of Prob. 3. we have found that

AH = which in this Case will give

 $AH = \frac{1}{|-1|} = \frac{1}{|-1|}$, that is $AH = \infty$ or the infinite Power of infinite.

Coral. 1. Considering aftrait Line as an Hyperbola, it can have but one Asymptote, viz. AH, whose Concurse with AH is at greater Distance from A than any other Hyperbola

whatfoever,

Corol. 2. All the Hyperbola's y = 1 whose Asymptotes are AC, AH must intersect DF, and the greater n is, so much the more they bend towards AH and recede from DF, and as they all intersect DF, so they all intersect one another in one Point only; and after the Intersection, that, in which n is greatest, still alls lowest or approaches nearest to AH.

Schol. If you suppose n infinitely great, with

 $=\frac{1}{1-1}$, then the Hyperbola will be a strait

line parallel to the Asymptote AC.

Sect. 7. We have now finished this Business of the Hyperbola's which has afforded us a new speculation of Numbers, viz. of such as are neither finite nor infinite, which deserves to be consider'd better than either my Time or my Capacity will permit. However, I shall here set down a few thoughts about them, ill I have more leisure to prosecute them.

First then, to distinguish them from finite and infinite, I shall call them indefinite Numbers, and denote them by this Sign .

2°. Indefinite Numbers I suppose to be intermediate Numbers lying between finite and ininite: For as we do not descend from 1 to o at one Step, but must pass through an infinite Series of Fractions, $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{3}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{5}$, &c. So it is impossible that in ascending from 1 to ∞ , we should pass immediately from finite to infinite; therefore the Steps between the set wo are indefinite Numbers; thus before we arrive from 1 to ∞ 1, we must come at $\sqrt{\infty}$ 1, and before we

come at $\sqrt{\infty} \times 1$ we must first come at $\sqrt{\infty} \times 1$ and so on.

3°. The Rules for the Arithmetick of Indefinites may be made after the same manners is done for that of infinites by D. Chyne. To which I shall add, that an Indefinite as $\infty \frac{q}{p}$ or

 $\sqrt[q]{\infty}$ | multiplied by another Indefinite as ∞ | makes the Product ∞ | $\frac{q}{p}$ + $\frac{r}{s}$ this Product be

comes infinite when it happens that q + pr < or = p s, but the Product is only indefinite when q s + pr > p s. And if an indefinite as $\infty \mid \frac{q}{r}$ be divided by another indefinite

finite as $\overline{\infty}$, the Quotient $\overline{\infty}$,

infinite when qs - pr is < or = ps; but it is finite when qs - pr = o, and indefinite when qs - pr > ps.

Note, THAT in expressing an indefinite Number by $\overline{\infty} | \frac{p}{a}$, I always suppose the

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Numerator q less than the Denominator p; for if q be either < or =p, then $\infty \mid \frac{p}{q}$, is an Infinite. That these Numbers are not infinite, may be thus demonstrated. If $(ex. gr.) \sqrt{\infty} \times I$ were infinite, then $\infty \times \frac{I}{\sqrt{\infty}}$ $(=\sqrt{\infty} \times I)$ must be infinite, and also $\frac{I}{\sqrt{\infty}}$ must be $=\circ$; $Ergo \infty \times \circ = \infty \times \frac{I}{\sqrt{\infty}}$ $(=\sqrt{\infty}) = \text{infinite}$, but $\infty \times \circ = I$; $Ergo \times I = \text{infinite}$, which is absurd.

Sect. 8. Containing fome miscellaneous Things relating to infinites.

Lem. Let FBDdebe a Logarithmick
Curve whose first Ordinate AB = 1, Ab - fscissa AC = x, Ordinate CD = y, and Asymptote Ee: Now from the known Property of this Curve, it follows,

i.e. If you make the Ordinate y = CD represent a Number, then its Abscissa x = AC shall be the Logarithm thereof.

2°. That the Logarithm of 1 is nothing; for M 3 the

the first Ordinate AB = 1, but its Abscissa is =o, therefore (by 1°) the Log. of 1=0.

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39. THAT the Ordinates cd (to the left of AB) denoting Fractions, their respective Ab. seista's Ar are the Logarithms of these Fractions: So that as x is the Log. of any Integer, CD in the like manner -x denotes the Log. of any Fraction (c d).

4°. THAT the Log. of any Fraction is e-

qual to—Log. of n. So that the Log. of any Fraction (whose Numerator is 1) is equal in Magnitude to the Log of that whole Number which is the Denominator; there being no Difference between the Log. of that Fraction!

and the Log. of this Integer n, but that this is +x(because it lies to the right from Atowards E) and the other—x because it lies to the left from A towards e.

Demonstration. - Signifies I divided by ", therefore by the Rules of Division l: 1-l: n=Log. of the Quotient, viz. 1: -. But 1:

i=0 (by2°) Ergo-l: n=1:-. Q.E.D.

5°. If this Curve be continued (utrinque) from B in infinitum, then f will meet with the Asymptote at an infinite Distance Ae: But it will will diverge from the Afymptote on the other fide, so that at an infinite Distance AE the last Ordinate EF will be infinite. And since the last Ordinate eF is =0, whose Abscissa $Ae = \infty$, it is evident that the Log. of o is $= \infty$ or rather $= -\infty$: It is evident likewise the last Ordinate EF is $= \infty$, whose Abscissa AE is also $= \infty$. So that the Log. of o and the Log. of ∞ are equal, only the one is $+\infty$ and the other $-\infty$.

Prop. $1. -= \infty = 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1$, &c.

This may feem abfurd, but the Demonstration is evident from the foregoing Lemma. For $\frac{1}{1-1}$

 $= \frac{1}{-}$ Let then = y. That is 1-1

This reduc'd to a logarithmical Equation gives $-1 \times l$: 1-1=l: y; that is $-1 \times l$: 0=l: y. But l: $0=-\infty$ (by Art. 5. of the Lem.) Ergo $-1 \times -\infty$ l: y, that is $+\infty = l$: y. Therefore y is infinite (fc: $y=\infty$) for no Number has an affirmative and infinite Logarithm, except an infinite Number. Since then $y=\infty$, then

 $\frac{1}{1-1} = \infty$ that is $\frac{1}{0} = \infty$. Q. E. D.

Schol. But by o cannot be understood absolute nothing, for an infinite Number of absolute Nothings cannot make 1; but by o is understood an infinitely small part, as in the calc.

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diff. dx is an infinitely small part of x, fo that dx is as o to x: Not that dx is absolutely nothing, for it is divisible into an infinite Number of Parts, each of which is 4 d x. And therefore the Demonstration, which supposing f and e meeting at an infinite Distance Ae, makes the last Ordinate e f = 0, implies no more but that e f =dx. But then it may be inquir'd what is the Quotient that arises from the Division of 1 by absolute Nothing. I say there is no Quotient because there is no Division: Therefore it is a Mistake to say the Quotient is I or Unity undivided, which is demonstrably false, neither is the Quotient = 0. For properly speaking there is no Quotient, and therefore it is an Error to affign any. In like manner, it is an Error to fay, that o x a makes the Product o; for properly speaking there is no Product. It is true, this of Multiplication has no influence upon Practice, but that of Division has.

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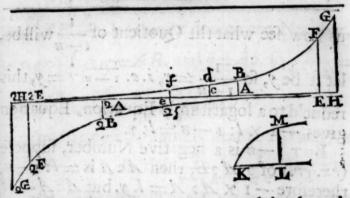
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This same Notion does explain how it comes to pass that I divided by a negative Number gives a Quotient greater than infinite. For if (when you call LM = x, KL = y.) fe=dx, then because the Points f and e are infinitely near, we may conceive the Logarithmick Curve continued as interfecting AHin the Point e; so that FBf2f2B2F2G makes but one continued Curve, whereof the Part above represents the affirmative Numbers by its Ordinates, and the negative Numbers are represented by the Ordinates of the Part below; but A is the Beginning of the Axis for the Logarithms of both, viz. AE, AH, &c. are the Logarithms of the affirmative Integers FE, GH, &c. Ac the Logarithm of any affirmative Fraction, Ae the Logarithm of an infinitely little Fraction, fe = dx. A2 A, A2 E, &c. The Logarithms of the negative Numbers, 2 A 2 B, 2 E 2 F, &c.

Now let n be any Number greater than Unity, then 1—n will be a negative Number, let

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us now see what the Quotient of $\frac{1}{1-n}$ will be,

let it be y, fo $\frac{1}{1-n} = y$, i.e. $1-n^{-1} = y$, this reduc'd to a logarithmic Equation, Equation

gives $-1 \times l$: 1-n=l: y.

But 1-n is a negative Number, suppose (ex. gr.) of $2A_2B$, then A_2A is = l: 1-n, therefore $-1 \times A_2A = l.y$. but $A_2A < A$ e, and $Ae = -\infty$, therefore $A_2A < -\infty$. Let then $A_2A = -\infty \times a$ (where a < 1) then $-1 \times -\infty = l: y$, that is $\infty \times a = l: y$, but $\infty \times a < \infty$, Ergo y is a Number greater than infinite.

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And here it is observable, that there are affirmative Numbers less than nothing, denoted by the several Powers of dx, as dx^3 , C. or by the second, third, C. Differences, and these Numbers may be aptly represented by the Ordinates of the logarithmick Curve, continued from f towards f when f is affirmative, or from f towards

Hwhen dx" is negative.

Another way of explaining what is meant by $\frac{1}{2} = \infty$.

Let AH produced indefinitely be ABC BEF CH divided into equal Parts AB, BC, CD, DE, &c. fo that a Part of this Line shall denote any Number, supposing fing AB=1, let then x denote any Number, (ex.gr.) Let x=AB. and y=Ab. so $\frac{1}{y-x}=\frac{1}{y}+\frac{x}{y^2}+\frac{x^2}{y^3}+\frac{x^3}{y^4}+\frac{x^4}{y^5}$, Sc.

Now suppose b infinitely near to B, then y-x $= Bb = dx, \text{ so that } \frac{1}{y-x} = \frac{1}{dx}. \text{ But } x = dx + dx + dx, \text{ Sc. That is } 1 \times x = dx \times 1 + 1 + 1 + 1, \text{ Sc. And therefore } \frac{1}{dx} = \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{x}$

 $=1. Ergo \frac{1}{dx} = 1+1+1+1, &c. = \infty \times 1.$

But $\frac{1}{0} = 1 + 1 + 1 + 1$, &c. Ergo $\frac{1}{0} = \frac{1}{dx}$, or dx = 0, but dx is not absolute nothing, and therefore when we say $\frac{1}{0} = 1 + 1 + 1$, &c.

o does not denote absolute nothing, but only dx or an infinitely small part of x. And therefore when (in the Quotient $\frac{1}{y-x}$) we say less than the property of the p

y=x, the meaning is not that y is absolutely equal to x, (for then there would be no Division, and consequently no Quotient) but only that y exceeds x by an infinitely small Quantity dx, which is sufficient to make them equal.

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I have hitherto considered no Progressions of Numbers except these that are in arithmetical and geometrical Progressions, and these

that arise from $\frac{1}{1-1}e$ as in § 5. I shall now

proceed to treat of other Progressions, and these, which offer themselves first, are the several Powers of Numbers in an arithmetical Progression. Let then z denote the Sum of any arithmetical Progression a, a+x, a+2x, a+3x, a+4x, &c. A the Sum of their Squares, B the Sum of their Cubes, C the Sum of their Biquadrates, &c. that is, let

z=a+(a+x)+(a+2x)+(a+3x)+ (a+4x) &c.

 $\frac{A=a^{2}+a+x|^{2}+a+2x|^{2}+a+3x|^{2}+a+}{4x|^{2} &c.}$

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 $\frac{B=a^3+a+x|^3+a+2x|^3+a+3x|^3}{a+4x|^3} & & & & & & & & & \\ \hline a+4x|^3 & & & & & & & & & \\ \hline a+6x|^3 & & & & & & & & \\ \hline a+6x|^3 & & & & & & & \\ \hline a+6x|^3 & & & & & & & \\ \hline a+6x|^3 & & & & & & \\ \hline a+6x|^3 & & & & & & \\ \hline a+6x|^3 & & & \\ a+6x|^3 & & & \\ \hline a+6x|^3 & & & \\ a+6x|^3 & & & \\ \hline a+6x|^3 & & & \\ a+6x|^3 & & & \\ \hline a+6$

 $C = a^4 + a + x |^4 + a + 2x |^4 + a + 3x |^4$

-1-a+4x 4 &c.

And so on to higher Powers. Now in order to find the Sum of any of these Progressions ascending till the last Term is $= \infty \times 1$, I shall premise these following Lemma's, by the Help whereof you may find z, A, B, C, &c. for any Number of Terms. Calling therefore t the Number of Terms in each Series, and v the last Term of the first whose Sum is z. Is a

Lem. 1. $z = \frac{v^2 \times xv + ax - a_2}{2x}$ Lem.

Lem. 2.
$$A = \frac{v + x|^3 - a^3 - tx^3 - 3x^2 z}{3x}$$

Lem. 3. $B = \frac{v + x|^4 - a^4 - tx^4 - 4x^3 z -$

In each of which tx=v+x-a (by Lem. 1. § 1.) and it is easy to continue these Lemma's

for higher Powers.

Before we apply these Lemma's to the finding the Sum of any Progression whose last Term is infinite, it will be necessary to substitute the Values of t, z, A, B, C, &c. When you have made this Substitution, you must reject out of the Lemma's every Term in which v does not occur; for the last Term being infinite will make van indefinite Number, and since all the other Terms (in which v is not) are finite, therefore they are as nothing in Respect of v, and consequently to be rejected. So, for Progressions whose last Term is $= \infty$, the Lemma's will be.

Lem. 1.
$$z = \frac{v^2 + xv}{2x}$$

Lem. 2. $A = \frac{v^3 - x^2v}{3x} - \frac{v^2 - xv}{2}$

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v4-2xv3+x2v2+2x3v Lem. 3. B = US 15 04 + 10x v3 - 59x3 v Lem. 4. C = -

LET us now confider what the Value of v is, in each of the Lemma's A, B, C, &c. An Example or two will make the Thing plain.

(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, &c. to v, Let

Then for Lem. 2. 11, 4, 9, 16, 25, &c. to v, (whose Sum is A.

But v2=0 (by Supp.) Therefore v= 10 $=\infty$ of that ∞ is the Value of v in Lem.

2d. In like manner vo or of is the Value of v in Lem. 3. And universally if e denote the Exponent of the Power to which each of the Terms of any arithmetical Progressi-

on is raised, then $v = \sqrt{\infty} = \infty$. in the Lemma that gives the Sum of these Terms (whose last is \infty) raised to this Power.

Prop. 1. To find the Sum of a Series of Numbers (continued till the last Term is ∞) whose Terms are the Squares of any arithmetical Progression.

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therefore all the Terms except the highest must evanish, and consequently the Sum of the

Squares $A = \frac{v^3}{3^x} = \frac{\overline{\omega_{\frac{1}{2}}}|^3}{3^x} = \frac{\overline{\omega_{\frac{1}{2}}}|^3}{3^x} = \frac{\overline{\omega_{\frac{1}{2}}}|^3}{3^x}$ Examp. Let x be = 1, fo 1, 2, 3, 4, 6c.

Examp. Let x be = 1, so 1, 2, 3, 4, &c. to $\sqrt{\infty}$ is the arithmetical Progression, the Sum (A) of whose Squares is sought; I say 1+4+9+16 &c. $\infty \times \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\infty}$, that is, the Sum of the Progression is an infinite Number of equal Parts, each of which is $\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\infty}$.

of any arithmetical Progression.

In this Case $v = \sqrt{\infty}$ or $\infty \frac{1}{3}$. Therefore in Lem. 3. all the Terms except the highest must evanish, so that $B = \frac{v^4}{4x} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} = \frac{\infty \frac{4}{3}}{4x}$

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Ex. Let x=1, $\{0,1,2,3,4,5,8c, to \sqrt{\infty}\}$ is the arithmetical Progression, the Sum (B) of whose Cubes is sought, I say 1+8+27+64

 $+125 \, \&c. = \infty \times \frac{\infty \frac{1}{3}}{3}$

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Prop. 3. To find the Sum of the Biquadrates of any arithmetical Progression.

In this Case $v = \sqrt[4]{\infty}$ or $\infty \frac{1}{4}$. Therefore by

Lemma 3d. $C = \frac{v^5}{5 \times 1} = \frac{1}{5 \times 1}$

Ex. Let x=1, so 1, 2, 3, 4, Sc. to $\sqrt{\infty}$ is the arithmetical Progression; I say then that 1+16+82+256 Sc. $= \infty \times \frac{\infty \frac{1}{4}}{5}$.

Scholium. From hence may be eafily deduc'd the Quadratures of all the Parabola's =y' (where z is the Ordinate, y the Absciffa, and e an affirmative Number) which is one remarkable Use of this Arithmetick of Infi-

Infinites. For if in this Figure AB = y, BC = 2, and z = y, it is plain that if you put y = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, &c. fuc- y cessively, then will z = 1; which shows that the Ordin A

which shews that the Ordinary nates are the Terms of an arithmetical Progression rais'd to a Power, whose Exponent is e, and that (x) the common Difference is 1: But if the first Abscissa y=1 be infinitely (or indefinitely small) then the Ordinates will be infinitely near to one another, and the last Ordinate B G will be an ∞ Number of these Ones. Therefore since to find the Area ABC, is, in effect, to find the Sum of the Ordinates, and since the Ordinates are 1', 2', 3', 4', 5', &c. till you come to the last, which is $BC = \infty$. Therefore by Prop.

4. $ABC = \infty \times \frac{\infty}{e+1}$, that is $ABC = BC \times$

 $\frac{BC}{e+1}$, the same which is found by the ordinary Methods of Quadratures. And note that the whole Abscissa AB denotes the Number of the Terms.

N.B. The Quadrature of all Sorts of Curves express'd by one Term thus assign'd, it is easy by the Method of Assumptions of Series's to extend this Method to all Sorts of Quadratures hitherto discovered.

PART II.

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ADDITIONS.

I have shewn in p. 160. &c. that mean Proportionals between I and o are neither finite nor infinite. For a farther Illustration of what I have faid upon this Head, let us confider what these Progressions are, whose Sum is more than finite and less than infinite.

Prop. 1. V is a Mean between 1 and in-

finite; but $\infty = \overline{1 - 1}$, therefore $\sqrt{\infty} =$

 $\sqrt{1-1} = \overline{1-1}$ which by Sir I faac Newton's

Theorem gives $\sqrt{\infty} = 1 - 1$ $= 1 + \frac{1}{2} +$ 1 × 3 2 × 4 + 1 × 3 × 5 + 1 × 3 × 5 × 7 2 × 4 × 6 + 2 × 4 × 6 × 8, &c. that is

 $\sqrt{1+1+1}$, $\&c. = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1 \times 3}{2 \times 4} + \frac{1 \times 3 \times 5}{2 \times 4 \times 6}$

 $+\frac{1\times3\times5\times7}{2\times4\times6\times8}$ &c.

AND fo (by fquaring each Side of this Equation) you will find it in Fact to be 1+1 +1, &c. = 1+1+1, &c. From hence it appears that the Progression, whose Sum (being neither finite nor infinite) is voo consists of Fractions, whose Numerators are the Products of the continual Multiplication of the arithmetical Progression 1, 1, 3, 5, 7, 1, &c. and the Denominators are the Proguets of the Multiplications of the Terms of this arithmetical Progression 2, 4, 6, 8, 10 &c.

Corol. In like manner you may find $\sqrt{\infty}$ ∞ ∞ ∞ by refolving $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-1}} = 1$

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 $\frac{1 \times 4 \times 7}{3 \times 6 \times 9}$ &c. where the Numerators and

Denominators are in arithmetical Progressions, whose common Difference is 3.

e+1 x3e+1 x4e+1 &c.

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Prop. 2. Let I be the first, r the second, and v the last Term of a geometrical Progres. fion 1, r, r2, r3, r4, &c. and t the Number of Terms, then $v=r^{t-1}=\frac{r^t}{r}$, which gives r^t

= rv. Corol. Let 7 be the Number of Terms, and v the last Term in the like Progression 1, s.

 s^2 , s^3 , s^4 &c. then $v = s^{\tau-1}$.

Corol. 2. From these two Values of v, I have this Equation $r^{t-1} = s^{\tau-1}$; whence it appears that if's be greater than r, then will $\tau < t$, that is, in any two Progressions whose first Terms are the same, that, whose second Terms is greater than r the fecond Term of the other, will fooner arrive at any given Number v.

Example. Let r = 2, then 1, 2, 4, 8, 16. Let s=4, then 1, 4, 16, that is, there are 5 Terms (or t=5) in arriving at 16 in the first Progression, whereas in the second $(\tau=3)$ it

arrives at 16 in the 3d Term.

Problem. Having r, t, s, to find T in which they shall both have the same last Term v.

Sol. s'-1=r'-1 (by Corol. 2.) this turn'd into a logarithmical Equation is 7-1 x 1s=

 $t-1 \times l r$, which reduced gives $\tau =$ tlr+ls-lr tlr-lr

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Corol. Because by Prop. 2. r = rv, therefore t lr = lrv, fo fubffituting lr vin place lrv-lr+ls of t Ir, we shall have $\tau = -$ Irv lr Ls Corol. 2. Because by Corol. 1. tlr= lrv. lrv therefore t = --. And confequently lrv But by the known Property of Numbers we have lr + lv = lrv, therefore $t - \tau =$ lr+lv lr-lv lr - I that is t-Is lr 10 10 I, that is, Ls 10 10 lr Ls Corol. 3. Let the last Term v be infinite or 1:00 1:00 -; which shews ∞ , then $t-\tau=$ Ls how much sooner the Progression 1, s, s2,

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53, Se. will arrive at ∞ , than 1, r, r^2 , r^3 , Sc. that is, how many more Terms there is in 1, r, r^2 , r^3 , Se, than in 1, s, s^2 , s^3 , Sc. when the last in both is ∞ .

Prop. 3. Let BG = x GE A $= y ; y x_i = 1$, where s is any Number greater than Unity. Then by the Calculus Integralis, we have DEG

 $BA = \frac{x_1}{1-s}$, so putting x = 1, we have

 $\mathcal{D}EGBA = \frac{\mathbf{I}}{\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{s}}$

But $\frac{1}{1-s} = 1 + s + s^2 + s^3 + s^4$ &c.

 $= \mathcal{D}EGBA.$

But calling v the last Term of this ascending geometrical Progression $1 + s + s^2 + s^3 + 5c$. we shall (as is shewn in Page 136. of this Chapter) have $1 + s + s^2 + s^3 + 5c$

 $s^4 + \&c. = \frac{s v}{s-1}$, therefore $\mathcal{D}EGBA =$

So that we have three different Expres-

fions of the Area $\mathcal{D}EGBA$, viz. $\frac{1}{1-s}$

 $\frac{s v}{s-1}$, and the Series $1+s+s^2+s^3+s^4$ &c.

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But what this Number v is (which denotes the last Term of the Progression $1 + s + s^2 + s^3$ &c.) is not so easy to determine; certainly it cannot be $v = \infty \times 1$ or 1 + 1 + 1 &c. For then

 $DEGBA = \infty \times \frac{s}{s-1}$; therefore if in one

Hyperbola we put s=2, (fcil. $y x^2=1$) we have $DEGBA=\infty \times 2$; and putting in another 1=3 (fcil. $y x^3=1$) we have $DGEBA=\infty \times \frac{1}{4}$; now this would make the Area of the Hyperbola $y x^2=1$ fcil. $\infty \times 2$ greater than the Area of the Hyperbola $y x^3=1$ fcil. $\infty \times \frac{1}{4}$; (because $2 < \frac{1}{4}$) but it is easy to demonstrate, that in the Hyperbola's $y x^3=1$. the greater we suppose the Exponent s, so shall the Area DEGBA (adjacent to BG) be the greater, and consequently the last Term v of the Series $1+s+s^2+s^3$ Ge. cannot be ∞ or 1+1+1+1+1 Gc. for upon that Value of

v, the Expression $\frac{s v}{s-1}$ would make the A-rea $\mathcal{D}EGBA$ to decrease as s did increase.

To discover the Value of v, we have

 $DGEBA = \frac{3v}{s-1} = \frac{1}{1-s}$; which gives v

$$=\frac{2-2}{2-1}3=\frac{2}{2-1}\times\frac{1-2}{1}$$

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HAVING found $v = \frac{1}{v}$, we see that in two different Hyperbola's (Ex. gr. yx2=1, and y x3=1,) v cannot have the same Value: for in the former $v = \frac{1}{2}$ which is less then v = in the other. anaoi beview x

Secondly. From the Value of $v = \frac{s-1}{s} \times \frac{1}{s}$ we fee that the last Term v is equal to the Sum of the Series (viz. 1+5+52+53 &c.) multiplied upon $\frac{s-1}{s}$ for $\frac{1}{1-s}$ is $=1+s+s^2+s^3$ &c.

Corol. I say the last Term v cannot be oo

xn, take what Number you will for n (except in the Case of the common Hyperbola, where s=1.) For if it were possible, let v $= \infty \times n$; then must $\frac{s-1}{s-s^2} = \infty \times n$, therefore $s-1 = \infty \times ns - ns^2$, which gives $1 = \infty$ $\times \frac{ns-ns^2}{s-1}$, and confequently $\frac{1}{\infty} = \frac{ns-ns^2}{s-1}$

but $\frac{1}{\infty} = 0$, therefore $\frac{ns - ns^2}{s - 1} = 0$ which give s=1. Q. E. D.

Corol. 2. It is evident that v is some Power of s, let the Exponent of that Power be n, feil. $v=s^n$, but $\frac{s v}{s-1} = \frac{1}{1-s}$, therefore

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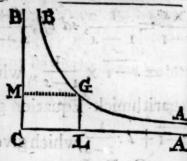
 $\frac{s \times s^n}{s-1} = \frac{1}{1-s}, id eft, \frac{s^n+1}{s-1} = \frac{1}{1-s}, \text{ therefore}$ $s^{n+1} = s-1 \times \frac{1}{1-s}, \text{ which reduced to a}$ $\underset{s-1}{\text{logarithmick Equation gives } n+1 \times l: s=l:$ $s-1+l:\frac{1}{1-s}, \text{ which gives } n=\frac{l:s-1+l:\frac{1}{1-s}}{l:s}$ $-1. \ \mathcal{Q}, E. I.$

An Answerto Mr. Varignon's Reflections upon Spaces greater than infinite.

Lat C be the Afymptotes of any Hyperbola BGA; the Abscisse CL = x, and Ordinate LG = y; and the general Equation to all Hyperbola's $y x^e = 1$. Then because $y = \frac{1}{x^e} = x^{-e}$, we have $y dx = x^{-e} dx$, therefore $f: y dx = f: x^{-e} dx$; but by the Calculus Integralis $f: x^{-e} dx = \frac{x^{1-e}}{1-e}$, therefore $f: y dx = \frac{x^{1-e}}{1-e}$; But f: y dx = BGLCB therefore $\frac{x^{1-e}}{1-e} = BGLCB$;

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(though deduced naturally from Principles which Mr. Varignon acknow-Medges to be true)
he denies, assuring cus that it is only



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the negative Expression of the Area AGLA or Complement of BGLCB, when e < 1. But (without any Regard to the Ratio of e to 1) let us consider the algebraical Expressions of these two Spaces BGLCB, and AGLA; we have already found $BGLCB = \frac{1}{2}$

 $\frac{x^{-e}}{1-e}$; and calling the Abscisse CM = y, and Ordinate MG = x, we shall from the Equation C = x.

tion $y \approx 1$, find $ACMGA = \frac{e \times y}{e-1}$ but $y \stackrel{e-1}{\cdot} = x \stackrel{i-1}{\cdot}$; therefore $ACMGA = e \times x \stackrel{i-1}{\cdot}$

from which if you substract CMGL = yx= $x^{1-\epsilon}$, the Remainder will be (as Mr. Va.

rignon fays) $AGLA = \frac{x^{1-e}}{e^{-1}}$, which is in-

deed the Negative of $\frac{x^{1-\epsilon}}{1-\epsilon}$.

But his Conclusion is false and groundless, viz. That $\frac{x^{1-e}}{1-e}$ is not the Expression of the Space

Space BGLCB, but only (when $e < \tau$) the negative Expression of its Complement AG LA. For (according to the Principles of the

Calculus Integralis) $\frac{x^{-1}}{1-e}$ is as certainly the Expression of the Space BGLCB, as its Ne-

gative $\frac{x^{1-\epsilon}}{e-1}$ is the Expression of its Comple-

ment AGLA. And this is fuitable to Nature's Proceedings, viz. to do things in the simplest and most general Method, and confequently to give one Expression of the Area of a Figure and of its Complement, when it can be done. And may it not (with as good

Reason) be said that $\frac{x^{2-e}}{e-1}$ is not the Expres-

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fion of the Space AGLA, but of its Complement BGLCB; and not only it may be faid, but Mr. Varignon must say so in all the innumerable Cases where e > 1; and to say it is not when e < 1, and it is when e > 1; what is this but to say backward and forward, according as it will answer his Conceit of denying that there are Spaces greater than Infinite? But to put this Controversy beyond all Dispute, let us resolve these two finite Expressions of the Spaces BGLCB, and AGLA into infinite Series's.

I. $\frac{x^{1-e}}{1-e} = x^{1-e} \times 1 + e + e^2 + e^3 + e^4$, &c. when

you

you begin the Division with 1, as here it naturally should

II.
$$\frac{x^{1-e}}{1-e} = x^{1-e} \times - \frac{1}{e} - \frac{1}{e^2} - \frac{1}{e^3} - \frac{1}{e^4}$$
, &c.

When you begin the Division with -e.

III.
$$\frac{x^{1-e}}{e-1} = x^{1-e} \times \frac{1}{e} + \frac{1}{e^2} + \frac{1}{e^3} + \frac{1}{e^4}$$
, &c.

When you begin the Division with e, as here it naturally should.

IV.
$$\frac{x^{1-e}}{e-1} = x^{1-e} \times -1 - e - e^2 - e^3 - e^4$$
, &c.

When you begin the Division with - 1.

Thus it appears, that each of these two Expressions give two Series, of which the first is the Area directly sought, and the other the negative Expression of its Complement; so

$$\begin{cases} BGLCB = \frac{x^{1-e}}{1-e} = x^{1-e} \times 1 + e + e^{x} + e^{3} + e^{4} + & \\ e^{4} + & \\ e^{4} + & \\ -AGLA = \frac{x^{1-e}}{1-e} = x^{1-e} \times -\frac{1}{e} - \frac{1}{e^{2}} - \\ \frac{1}{e^{3}} = \frac{1}{e^{4}} - & \\ AGLA = \frac{x^{1-e}}{1-e} \times -\frac{1}{e^{4}} - \frac{1}{e^{4}} - & \\ AGLA = \frac{x^{1-e}}{1-e} \times -\frac{1}{e^{4}} - & \\ AGLA = \frac{x^{1-e}}{1-e} \times -\frac{1}{e^$$

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$$-BCLCB = -x^{1-e} \times -1-e-e^{1-e^3-e^4} - 8rc.$$

These are plain and obvious Conclusions, deduced from the known and common Operations of Arithmetick, and utterly overthrow all that Mr. Varignon alledges against Spaces greater than Infinite.

For without any Limitation (except e < 1)

he fays that — is not the Expression of

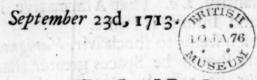
BGLCB, but the Negative of the Space AGLA. And if so, then (by Series I.) it will follow that $x^{1-\epsilon} \times 1 + e + e^2 + e^3 + e^4$, &c. is the negative Expression of the Space AGLA, and this I say implies two manifest Absurdities; (1st) That a Sum of affirmative Quantities is negative, and (2dly,) That the Sum of an infinite geometrical Progression, whose Terms are continually increasing, is equal to a finite Quantity, i. e. That Affirmative is Negative, and Infinite is Finite.

That which feems to shock Mr. Varignon is, that there should be Spaces greater than Infinite; for he tells us expressly, that he looks upon this as a Contradiction. But this Difficulty will soon evanish, if he consi-

ders

This will be yet plainer in the Case of Finites. It is certain no Quantity can be less than Finite (as none can be greater than Infinite) which we shall denote by $\odot \times 1$ or 1; when I say then that $\odot \times \frac{1}{2}$ is less then $\odot \times 1$, I mean no more but that $\frac{1}{2} \ll 1$; and because I have defined the Idea of finite by $\odot \times 1$ or 1, I may very properly say that $\odot \times 1$

or 1 is less than a finite Quantity.



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